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Environment Canada: 2001-2003 A Two-Year Review

The Program of Energy Research and Development at Environment Canada

Environment Canada's participation in PERD provides the information needed to identify and respond to existing and emerging environmental challenges. PERD directly supports Environment Canada's focus towards sustainable development, mitigation of climate change, and innovation.

Diversifying Canada's Oil and Gas

Strategic Intent 1: Fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximising economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Direction 2: Provide S&T to extend and diversify Canada's oil and gas production from offshore and northern regions through the development of the science and technology needed for standards and regulations, and to reduce costs and mitigate environmental and safety concerns.

Objective 1.2.1: Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF)

PROJECTS:

Offshore Wind and Wave Design Criteria
Objective: Develop methodologies to reliably determine offshore wind and wave design criteria.

Data Assimilation into Coupled Atmosphere–Ocean Wave Models
Objective: Focus on research and development of high space-time resolution wave models for use in hindcast studies, and forecasting of near-shore ocean waves.

Operational Ice Modelling
Objective: Improve the safety of offshore drilling operations through improved CIS (Canadian Ice Service) sea ice and iceberg analyses and forecasts.

Operational Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne SAR
Objective: Develop the capability of routinely used remotely sensed data, to detect and monitor icebergs off Canada's East Coast .

Objective 1.2.2: Northern Hydrocarbon Production.

PROJECTS:

Minimizing Environmental Risk from Petroleum Exploration in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the Northwest Territories
Objective: Reduce the risk of environmental damages resulting from the use of sumps in connection with exploration for oil and gas.

Objective 1.2.3: Marine Transportation and Safety (MTS).

PROJECTS:

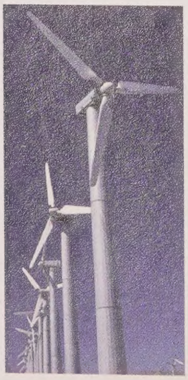
Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions
Objective: Improve the safety of energy transportation (shuttle tankers) by developing better iceberg and bergy bit models and products.

Strategic Direction 3: Provide S&T to address cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and offshore oil and gas resources.

Objective 1.3.1: Flaring Research Initiative.

Objective: Quantify flare efficiency and investigate design and operational factors to improve flare efficiency.

Objective 1.3.3: Soil and Groundwater Remediation



PROJECTS:

Natural Wetlands-Containment, Transformation and Remediation of Toxic Organics from Natural Gas Condensates and Process Chemicals
Objective: Determine the effectiveness of wetlands in attenuating toxic contaminants.

Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Refineries
Objective: Determine the factors controlling the fate and transport of toxic naphthenic acids to soil and groundwater at oil production facilities.

Groundwater Research Program (USDOE)
Objective: Examine the transport and fate of waste streams generated by natural gas processing operations.

The Role of Sulfate Reduction in the Bioremediation Technologies for Hydrocarbon Contamination in Groundwater
Objective: Investigate the role of sulfate reduction in the natural attenuation of hydrocarbon contaminants in groundwater and investigate the ways to enhance this anaerobic biodegradation process.

Remediation of Hydrocarbon-Contaminated Sites by Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA)
Objective: Understand now attenuation processes work in different situation sto better predict the most suitable areas that lend themselves to this approach in a timely fashion.

Assessment of Phytoremediation as an In-Situ Technique for Cleaning Oil Contaminated Sites
Objective: Explore the utility of plant based remediation of sites impacted by total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) and under presented prairie ecozone conditions and provide a data base of plants found to tolerate and remediate TPHs.

Biological Barriers in Fractured Bedrock
Objective: Reduce permeability and prevent migration of contaminants in a fractured media by injecting a carbon source to stimulate the groundwater bacteria.

Solar Detoxification of Groundwater
Objective: Provide new technology (solar energy based) for the remediation of groundwater contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons.

In-Situ Soil Flushing for the Remediation of Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soil
Objective: Develop an enhanced *in-situ* soil flushing process for the simultaneous removal of organic contaminants and heavy metals.

Attenuation of an Ethanol/BTEX Plume in Fractured Bedrock Model Undergoing Biostimulation
Objective: Address the increasing addition of ethanol in gasoline as an oxygenate and its effects on bioattenuation processes in groundwater.

Standardization and Validation of Terrestrial Toxicity Test Procedures for Assessing Biological Effects in Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soils.
Objective: Develop, standardize and field validate terrestrial toxicity tests relevant to Canadian sites.

Assessment of Natural and Anthropogenic Impacts of Oil Sands Contaminants within the Northern River Basin
Objective: Assess the environmental impact of natural vs. anthropogenic hydrocarbon release.

Land Farming of Bioremediated Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soils/Wastes
Objective: Establish a new site using bioremediated hydrocarbon contaminated soils to develop a best management practice for handling bioremediated hydrocarbon contaminated soils.

Toxicity Workshop
Objective: Identify priorities for method development, validation and standardization that will lead to a second generation of soil toxicity test methods for assessing the effects of contaminated soils.

Cleaner Transportation for the Future

Strategic Intent 2: Foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Direction 1: Provide S&T to reduce emissions from transportation sources to improve air quality and health and reduce GHG production.

Objective 2.1.1: Air Quality-Particles Research.

PROJECTS:

Characterization of Particulates and Precursors in Emission
Objective: Contribute to improvement of air quality models by addressing knowledge gaps and providing data for model development and evaluation.

Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air
Objective: Gain new insights into the transport, transformation and fate of ambient fine particles and their precursors, particularly those produced by emissions from the transportation sector.

Objective 2.1.2: Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER)

PROJECTS:

Engine Cold Start Efficiency
Objective: (completed) Conduct R&D on technologies and/or processes that have the potential to reduce energy consumption and use energy more efficiently.

Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Ethanol/Gasoline Blend Fuels
Objective: Develop the data that is necessary to assess the environmental and health benefits of ethanol when used in light duty vehicles in Canada.

Environmental Properties of Ether Fuels
Objective: Screen potential diesel ethers for environmental concerns related to water and soil, measure environmental properties of diesel ethers (water solubility) and measure environmental toxicity of potential candidate ethers.

Windsor Workshop Support
Objective: Exchange of technical information on transportation fuels.

Strategic Direction 2: Provide S&T to improve energy efficiency, reduce emissions and provide economic benefits to Canada from next generation vehicles and systems.

Objective 2.2.2: Fuel Cells, Electric and Hybrid Vehicles.

PROJECTS:

Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Fuel Cells, Electric, and Hybrid Vehicles
Objective: Expand on the characterization of emissions from fuel cells, electric and hybrid vehicles with the focus on a fuel cell project, a diesel-electric hybrid bus project and a Transport Canada project.

Objective 2.2.4: Optimisation of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems

PROJECTS:

The St. Lawrence Routing Management Support Model
Objective: Produce models and prototypes indexing safety and efficiency factors for safe, efficient waterway routing. Increase public awareness.

Energy Efficient Buildings and Communities

Strategic Intent 3: Reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's buildings and community systems and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Direction 2: Provide S&T to integrate energy services (supply and end use) in communities to reduce overall energy requirements, optimise the use of available resources and reduce environmental impacts including GHG emissions.

Objective 3.2.4: Energy Management for Sustainable Communities

PROJECTS:

Design of More Effective Energy Storage Systems
Objective: Develop a variety of tools and procedures for implementing Underground Thermal Energy Storage (UTES), an advanced form of ground-source heat pumping in Canada and to deliver the knowledge and tools that will allow the construction, operation and management of energy from thermal networks.

Development of Energy from Waste Technologies and other Alternative Technologies
Objective: Demonstrate microturbine technology for energy production, provide the ability to compare environmental impacts from a variety of waste management systems options, advance and demonstrate the concept of bioreactors for optimised energy recovery.

Integrating Urban Forestry, Green Roofs and Vertical Gardens to Reduce Energy Consumption
Objective: Evaluate the potential of using green roofs, vertical gardens and urban forestry to reduce residential summer energy consumption through reductions in canopy-level temperatures and shading.

Clean Air OnLine
Objective: Develop new and innovative ways to use existing web-based tools and identify additional tools required to support community action for cleaner air.

Energy Efficient Industry

Strategic Intent 4 : Reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's industrial sectors and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, improving productivity and providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities

Strategic Direction 3: Provide S&T to advance generic energy related technologies and processes to reduce energy intensity, particularly in industry, to achieve productivity gains and reduce GHG emissions and other wastes.

Objective 4.3.3: Research, Development and Deployment for Industrial Separation and Refrigeration (SEPREF)

PROJECTS:

Applications of Microwave–Assisted Processes (MAP) to Solvent–less Synthesis and to Low Solvent, Energy–Efficient Extraction
Objective: Provide Canada's synthesis and extraction industrial sector with low solvent and low energy consuming processes.

Canada's Electricity Insfrastructure

Strategic Intent 5: Reduce the environmental impacts of Canada's electricity infrastructure, particularly greenhouse gases, through alternative electric power generation, increased efficiency of fossil-fueled plants and strategies to capture and manage emissions.

Strategic Direction 1: Provide S&T to increase the proportion of Canada's electricity supply from renewables and distributed systems which offer improved system integration and reduced environmental impacts. (R&D activities in this area will exclusively address generic technological issues whose applications are not related to communities, buildings and industry).

Objective 5.1.1: Electricity from Renewable Energy Technologies.

PROJECTS:

EC Wind and Solar Energy Resource Assessment- Solar Radiation
Objective: Provide spectral irradiance data for the PV industry in anticipation of new ISO standards on PV efficiency.

EC Wind and Solar Energy Resource Assessment- Wind Mapping with Atmospheric Models
Objective: Improve wind forecasts to benefit de-regulated electrical energy markets, and optimise siting and power production of renewable energy systems through improved wind energy resource assessment information.

Strategic Direction 2: Provide S&T to reduce emissions and the associated environmental impacts from centralised, combustion-based electric power generation systems.

Objective 5.2.1: Characterisation of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE)

PROJECTS:

Environmental Contaminants in Coal and Coal By products
Objective: Characterise contaminants in coal feed stocks, stack emissions and in the environs of major power plants.

Objective 5.2.2: Clean and Efficient Combustion Technologies for Large Utility Electricity Generation

PROJECTS:

Prevention, Control and Mitigation of Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sources
Objective: Understanding and minimising the environmental and health impacts of fossil fuel electricity generation.

Objective 5.2.3: CO_2 Capture and Storage

PROJECTS:

Coal Bed Methane Field Pilot-Characterization of Injected CO_2 and Impact on CBM
Objective: Reduce GHG emissions by subsurface injection of carbon dioxide into deep coalbeds and to assess the technical feasibility of CO_2 disposal while enhancing coal bed methane production.

Climate Change

Strategic Intent 6: Minimize the negative impacts of climate change on the Canadian energy sector.

Strategic Direction 1: Provide S&T to support the Canadian energy sector's response to the impacts of climate change.

Objective 6.1.1: Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector (CCIES)

PROJECTS:

Historical and Future Climate for the Assessment of Energy Sector Impacts in Canada
Objective: Develop a national set of energy sector historical and future climate scenarios, develop an energy sector scenario and guide the research community and users, and engage the energy sector in updating their chapter of the Canada Country Study based on historical and future climate scenarios.

Impacts of Climate Changes in the Canadian Inland Seas Watershed on the Canadian Energy Sector
Objective: Develop a regional climate model for Northeastern North America, develop the predictive capability for extreme climate events in the inland seas watershed, produce climate change scenarios and support for the energy sector regarding environmental predictions.

Climate Change and Offshore Design Criteria
Objective: Determine long term trend and variability in wind, wave and storm climatology.

Impacts of Evolving Ice Conditions on the Energy Sector
Objective: Provide detailed assessment and interpretation of recent sea ice cover trends over Canadian marine areas of importance to hydrocarbon development and transportation.

Critical Aspects of Changes in Sea Ice Cover on Energy Production
Objective: Provide an indication of how sea ice conditions will evolve over the next 25 years.

Canadian Participation in FIREIII/SHEBA
Objective: Contribute to knowledge of climate modelling, particularly in relation to arctic climate processes and changes.

Climate Change Impacts on Cold-Regions Hydrologic Processes and Extreme Events Associated with the Hydro-Electric and Oil/Gas Industries in Western and Northern Canada
Objective: Improve the understanding of the climatological and hydrological factors that affect energy production and transmission of hydro-electric power in western Canada, and oil and gas development in northwestern Canada.

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Western Canada for the
Industry
Objective: Provide detailed
and interpretations of the
simulate climatic condition
areas of western Canada
the energy industry.

Snow Water Equivalent
Western Canada and Cli
Related Impacts for Hyd
Production
Objective: Create and ana
time series of snow water
basins in western Canada
important to hydropower p
provide a baseline for futu
develop scenarios to pred
changes on hydropower o
conduct a first assessmen
satellite-derived SWE into
modelling.

Changes in Cloud Cove
America for Solar Energ
in Canada
Objective: Provide inform
impacts of climate change
availability of solar energy

Climate and Energy in th
Niagara Region: Integra
and Policy
Objective: Assessment of
climate, vulnerabilities to
adaptive strategies to dea
associated risks and opp
Toronto-Niagara Region.

Strategic Direction 2: Pr
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the atmosphere.

Objective 6.2.1: Enhance
Greenhouse Gas Sinks (E

PROJECTS:

Estimation of Terrestria
and Sinks in Canada
Objective: Data acquisitio
modelling of biospheric–a
exchange processes.

Wetlands in the Forest
Sink Potential
Objective: Improve techni
estimating the carbon bu
managed and unmanage
forest wetland ecosystem
trends and changes in ca
sequestration associated
management, land use cl
climate variability and ch

Impact of Variability an
Change on Carbon Seq
Boreal Deciduous Fore
Objective: Characterise v
boreal forest carbon and
and understand factors o
sequestration over sever

Wetlands in the Agricul
Carbon Sink Potential
Objective: Improve meth
understand processes, e
management practices a
update models of GHG fl
agroecosystems in order
carbon sequestration an
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Advice, Coordination a
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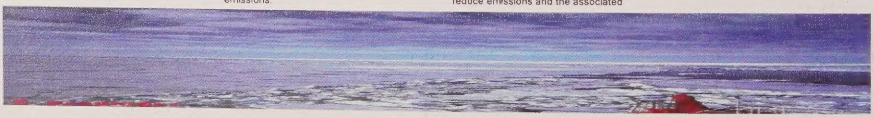

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Overview

Environment Canada has been an active participant in the federal Program of Energy Research and Development (PERD) since 1977. Together with other federal departments, universities, and industry sectors, EC through PERD has contributed to finding sustainable energy development solutions for the benefit of Canadians.

EC manages a diverse research and development portfolio funded by PERD, leading on the delivery of environmental science and technology initiatives specific to energy. EC leads in a number of areas such as: flaring, groundwater and soil remediation, particulate matter, sustainable community development, bioprocesses, and the enhancement of greenhouse gas sinks. In addition, EC managers have contributed their expertise to a myriad of other initiatives ranging from weather prediction–to cumulative effects of toxics–to alternative energy technologies. This participation has led to the advancement and sharing of knowledge in technologies, and will also contribute to ensuring sustainable development in northern and frontier regions.

Science and technology efforts under PERD have been world class, supporting decision-making, policy development, and regulatory activities; contributing to the development of national standards and guidelines; supporting public safety; and environmental needs.

Through PERD, EC has developed a high level of expertise which has led to the advancement of knowledge in a number of Business Line priority areas allowing for timely advice on emerging and existing issues.

This report highlights Environment Canada's involvement in PERD for 2001–2003. Section 1 points out how EC's energy research and development activities jointly benefit both the Department and PERD mandates. Section 2 outlines ECs current involvement in PERD at the project level with emphasis on successful partnerships, leveraging, and technology transfer efforts.

For information concerning the direction of PERD at Environment Canada, please refer to a companion document entitled "Program of Energy Research and Development at Environment Canada: Building Partnerships for the Future," to be published in 2004.

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Environnement Canada (EC) est un participant actif au Programme de recherche et de développement énergétiques (PRDE) du gouvernement fédéral depuis 1977. Grâce à sa collaboration avec d'autres ministères fédéraux, des universités et des secteurs de l'industrie, la recherche menée à EC, laquelle est financée par le PRDE, a contribué à mieux comprendre les effets sur l'environnement découlant de l'utilisation des sources d'énergie traditionnelles et de la découverte de nouvelles sources d'énergie renouvelables.

EC mène divers projets de recherche et de développement qui sont financés par le PRDE, et le ministère est un chef de file dans plusieurs secteurs de recherche tels que le brûlage à la torche, la restauration des eaux souterraines et des sols, les matières particulaires, le développement durable des collectivités, les bioprocédés et l'amélioration des puits de gaz à effet de serre. Les gestionnaires d'EC ont apporté leur expertise à une multitude d'initiatives allant de la prévision météorologique à l'effet cumulatif des substances toxiques et aux technologies d'énergie innovatrices résultant en l'établissement de réseaux scientifiques et de réseaux d'échange de pratiques.

Les efforts de recherche et de développement qu'a déployés EC dans le cadre du PRDE ont été reconnus mondialement. Ils ont contribué à de saines prises de décisions en matière de politiques et de règlements et à l'élaboration de normes et de recommandations nationales, tout en répondant à des besoins en matière de sécurité et d'environnement.

Grâce au PRDE, EC a acquis une compétence de haut niveau, ce qui lui a permis d'approfondir ses connaissances dans plusieurs secteurs d'activités prioritaires, d'offrir des conseils opportuns sur des enjeux nouveaux ou existants.

Ce rapport souligne la participation d'EC au PRDE de 2001 à 2003. La section 1 contient un court résumé des avantages dont le ministère et le PRDE ont pu bénéficier à la suite de la participation des deux parties au PRDE. La section 2 décrit brièvement les projets auxquels EC participe dans le cadre du PRDE et souligne les réussites en ce qui a trait aux partenariats, à l'effet levier des différents projets et aux transferts de technologie.

Pour de plus amples renseignements sur le PRDE d'Environnement Canada, veuillez consultez le document d'accompagnement intitulé *Programme de recherche et de développement énergétiques d'Environnement Canada : Créer des partenariats pour l'avenir*, à paraître en 2004.

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AAFC ....Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
AAQD ....Analysis and Air Quality Division
ACSYS ....Arctic Climate System Study
ADM ....Assistant Deputy Minister
AEIRB............................Aquatic Ecosystem Impacts Research Branch
AES ....Atmospheric Environment Service
AFTER............................Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction
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AIRG............................Adaptation and Impacts Research Group
AMDAR ....Aircraft Meteorological Data Relay
AOP............................Advanced Oxidation Process
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ArcInfo ....Software in field of environmental mapping for analysis and modelling
As ....Arsenic
ASHRAE............................American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Engineers
ATES ....Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage
ATMS ....Advanced Traffic Management Systems
ATOFLAMS ....Atmospheric Time-of-Flight Laser Ablation Mass Spectrometry
Bap-............................Benzo[a]pyrene
BART ....Biological Activity Reaction Test
BEPS............................Boreal Ecosystems Productivity Simulator
BEPS-INTEC............................Boreal Ecosystem Productivity Simulator-Integrated Terrestrial Ecosystem C-budget model
BERMS............................Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites
BIO ....Bedford Institute of Oceanography
BIOCAP............................Biosphere Implications for CO_2 Policy in Canada
BTEX ....Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl-benzene, and Xylene
CAM ....Canadian Aerosol Module
CANMET ....Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology
CAOL............................Clean Air Online
CAPP............................Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers
CBM ....Coalbed Methane
CCAF–TEAM ....Climate Change Action Fund, Technology for Early Action Measures
CCG ....Canadian Coast Guard
CCIES ....Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector
C-CLASS............................Carbon-Canadian Land Surface Scheme
CCME............................Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment
C-CORE ....Centre for Cold Ocean Research Engineering
CCRP ....Climate Change Research Program
CCRS ....Canada Centre for Remote Sensing
CCTEAF ....Climate Change Technology Early Action Fund
CD ....Companion Document
CEM ....Community Energy Management
CEPA............................Canadian Environmental Protection Act
CES ....Community Energy Systems
CETC............................CANMET Energy Technology Centre
CFCAS ....Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences
CGCM1 ....Canadian General Circulation Model version 1
CH_4/CO_2 ....Methane/Carbon Dioxide
CHC............................Canadian Hydraulics Centre
CHELASOL ....Chelation/Solvent Extraction Process
CIS ....Canadian Ice Service

CLASS model................Canadian Land Surface Scheme model
CLIMo............................Climate Lake Ice Model
CLIVAR..........................Climate Variability and Prediction Program
CMHC...........................Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
CNOPB..........................Canada--Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Board
CNSOPB.......................Canada--Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board
CO................................Carbon Monoxide
CO_2..............................Carbon Dioxide
COFE............................Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions
CORONA......................Consortium for Research on Natural Attenuation
CPPI.............................The Canadian Petroleum Products Institute
Cr..................................Chromium
CRB..............................Climate Research Brand
CRCM...........................Canadian Regional Climate Model
CRYSYS.......................Cryospheric System in Canada
CSA..............................Canadian Standards Association
CSIRO..........................Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
DEA..............................Diethanolamine
DEMs............................Digital Elevation Models
DFO..............................Department of Fisheries and Oceans
DIAND..........................Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development
DIPA.............................Diisopropanolamine
DMSP............................Defense Meteorological Satellite Program
DND..............................Department of National Defence
DRECT..........................Demonstration of Resource and Energy Conservation Technology
DUC..............................Ducks Unlimited Canada
EAE..............................Environmentally Acceptable Endpoints
EBAD............................Environmental Biotechnology Applications Division
EC.................................Environment Canada
ECES............................Energy Conservation through Energy Storage
ECOSYS.......................Canadian ecosystem model
ECS..............................Environmental Conservation Service
EED..............................Emergencies Engineering Division
EERC............................Energy & Environmental Research Center
EGGS............................Enhancement of Greenhouse Gas Sinks
EGR..............................Enhanced Gas Recovery
ENVISAT.......................Environment Satellite
EOS..............................Earth Observing Systeme
EPF...............................Energy Priority Framework
EPIC.............................Environment Plastic Industry Council
ERAC............................Environmental Research Advisory Council
ERMD............................Emissions Research and Measurement Division
EROD............................Ethoxyresorufin O-deethylase
ERS–2...........................European Remote Sensing Satellites
ESA...............................European Space Agency
ETB...............................Energy Technology Branch
ETC...............................Environmental Technology Centre
EV.................................Electric vehicle
FCM..............................Federation of Canadian Municipalities
FDM..............................Flight Data Monitoring
FIRE III..........................First ISCCP Regional Experiment -III (1994-1999)
FJMC.............................Fisheries Joint Management Committee

Fluxnet–Canada CO_2 flux network ....A national university network integrating worldwide CO_2 flux measurements.
FRI................................Flaring Research Initiative
GASREP ....Groundwater and Soil Remediation Environmental Program
GCMs ....Global Climate Models
GEM ....Global Environmental Model
GEWEX..........................Global Energy and Water Cycle Experiment
GGFR............................Global Gas Flaring Reduction
GHG ....Greenhouse Gases
GIS ....Geographic Information System
GRI/DOE ....Gas Research Institute/Department of Energy
GSC...............................Geological Survey of Canada
GSM ....Global System for Mobile Communications
HAPs ....Hazardous Air Pollutants
HC ....Health Canada
HEV ....Hybrid Electric Vehicle
Hg..................................Mercury
HMDC............................Hibernia Management Development Corporation
IBIS................................Integrated Terrestrial Biosphere Model
IC...................................Industry Canada
ICS ....Information and Communications Systems
IDS ....Iceberg Detection Software
IEA.................................International Energy Agency
IEA-ECES.......................International Energy Agency Implementing Agreement
IGBP..............................International Geosphere-Biosphere Program
IGCC ....Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle
IIC..................................International Ice Patrol
IIMI ....Integrated Ice Management Initiative
IIP..................................International Ice Patrol
IJC ....International Joint Commission
INAC..............................Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
IPCC..............................Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
ISCCP ....International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project
ISO ....International Organization for Standardization
ISWM.............................Integrated Solid Waste Management
IWM ....Integrated Waste Management
JGR ....Journal of Geophysical Research
k.....................................Thousand
KNMI ....Netherlands Meteorological Institute
LAMS.............................Laser Ablation Mass Spectrometry
LAOGMT ....Lloydminster Area Operators Gas Migration Team
LARS-WG ....Model to simulate time-series of a suite of climate variables at a single site
LFG ....Landfill gas
LICOR ....LI-COR Biosciences-designs and manufactures instrument
LIDAR............................Light Detection and Ranging
LII ....Laser-Induced Incandescence
LS..................................Lignosulfates
M ....Million (i.e., $1x10^6$)
MAGS............................Mackenzie GEWEX Study
MAM ....Multispectral Atmospheric Mapping
MAP...............................Microwave-Assisted Processes
MC2...............................Mesoscale Compressible Community model
MDEA ....Methyldiethanolamine

Acronyms

MEA .... Monoethanolamine
MFO .... Multi-Function Oxidases
MIPA .... Monoisopropanolamine
MIROS .... Microwave Remote Sensor for the Ocean Surface
MMT .... Methylcyclopentadienyl Manganese Tricarbonyl
MOE .... Microbial Oil Eater
MOU .... Memorandum of Understanding
MRM .... Multiresidue Method
MSC .... Meteorological Service of Canada
MSC50 .... Meteorological Service of Canada: a 50-year continuous wind and wave hindcast for the North Atlantic
Mt .... megatonnes
MTBE .... Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether
MTO .... Ministry of Transportation of Ontario
MTS .... Marine Transportation and Safety
NA .... Naphthenic Acids
NARCM .... Northern Aerosol Regional Climate Model
NDMA .... N-Nitrodimethylamine
NEB .... National Energy Board
NEI .... Northern Ecosystem Initiative
Ni .... Nickel
NIC .... National Ice Center
NOMAD .... Navy Oceanographic Meteorological Automatic Device
NO_x .... nitrogen oxides
NRBS .... Northern River Basins Study
NRC .... National Research Council of Canada
NRCan .... Natural Resources Canada
NRCC .... National Research Council of Canada
NRCM .... Northern Aerosol Regional Climate Model
NREI .... Northern Rivers Ecosystem Initiative
NSERC .... Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada
NSIDC .... National Snow and Ice Data Centre
NWP .... Numerical Weather Prediction models
NWRI .... National Water Research Institute
O_2 .... Oxygen
OCC .... Overland Custom Coach
ODS .... Ozone-depleting substances
OECD .... Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OEF .... Offshore Environmental Factors
OERD .... Office of Energy Research and Development
OFFN .... OFFN: NARCM without CAM
OGP .... Internal Association of Oil and Gas Producers on Energy Conservation through Energy Storage
ONN .... NARCM with CAM
PAC .... Polycyclic Aromatic Compounds
PAD .... Peace-Athabasca Delta
PAHs .... Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
PCBs .... Polychlorinated Biphenyls
PCP .... Partners for Climate Protection
PCSP .... Polar Continental Shelf Project
PERD .... Program of Energy Research and Development
Pg .... Picogram
PM .... Particulate Matter
PMG technology .... Permanent Magnetic Generator technology

POL .... Program at the Objective Level
PTAC .... Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada
PV .... Photo-Voltaic
PWGSC .... Public Works and Government Services Canada
R&D .... research and development
RADARSAT .... Radar Satellite
RBCA .... Risk-based Corrective Action
RCM .... Regional Climate Modelling
RSI .... Radarsat International
RTDF .... Remediation Technology Development Forum
RWDI .... Rowan Williams Davies and Irwin Inc.
S&T .... Science and Technology
SAIC .... Science Applications International Corporation
SAR .... Synthetic Aperture Radar
SDSM .... Spatial DownScaling Model
SEPREF .... Separation and Refrigeration
SETAC .... Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
SHCP .... Solar Heating and Cooling Programme
SHEBA .... Surface Heat Budget of the Arctic Ocean
SMMR .... Scanning Multichannel Microwave Radiometer
SNTHERM .... Snow Thermal model (A process driven, one dimensional energy and mass-balanced model to calculate snow melt and other snowpack fluxes)
SOC .... Southampton Oceanography Centre
SO_x .... sulphur oxides
SRC .... Saskatchewan Research Council
SRES .... Special Report on Emissions Scenario
SRM .... Snowmelt Runoff Model
SSM/J .... Special Sensor Microwave/Imager
SSR .... Surface Solar Radiation
STECA .... Statistical Tool for Extreme Climate Analysis
STRICE .... Measurements of Structures in Ice
SWE .... Snow Water Equivalent
SWS-2 .... Storm Wave Study -2
systems for plant biology, biotechnology, and environmental research
t .... Tonne (metric)
TC .... Transport Canada
TEA .... Triethanolamine
TES .... Thermal Energy Storage
TIE .... Toxicity Identification and Evaluation
TNR .... Toronto-Niagara Region
TPH .... Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
TRT .... Thermal Response Test
TSRI .... Toxic Substance Research Initiative
UFORE .... Urban Forest Effects
UON .... NARCM with CAM and UCAR CSM data as lateral boundary condition
USDOE .... United States Department of Energy
USEPA .... United States Environmental Protection Agency
UTES .... Underground Thermal Energy Storage
VOC .... Volatile Organic Compounds
WATCLASS .... Waterloo Canadian Land Surface Scheme
WATFLOOD .... Waterloo Flood Forecasting model
WCRP .... World Climate Research Program
WGCC .... Working Group on Coupled Climate Modeling

Introduction

Environment Canada- Leading Science to Protect our Environment

Environment Canada's mandate is to "preserve and enhance the quality of the natural environment". Through it's mandate, Environment Canada is serving the best interests of all Canadians. It is in partnership with other federal departments, industry, universities and through international collaborations that EC achieves its goals. Three critical areas have been identified by Environment Canada as it's focus for the coming years (*2003-2004 Estimates: Report on Plans and Priorities*). These areas are:

- Reduce the Health and Safety Impacts of Environmental Threats
- Sustain Our Natural Environment
- Move Forward on Climate Change

The document entitled *2003-2004 Estimates: Report on Plans and Priorities* reveals the specific actions by which Environment Canada will help achieve the broad goals of the Government of Canada in instituting **sustainable development**, mitigating **climate change**, and incorporating an **innovative approach**. The document is intended to serve, over the next three years, as a functional framework around which concrete results will manifest. Environment Canada is strongly committed to partnerships and innovative strategies as tools by which to accomplish its aims.

Sustainable Development

Sustainable development is a complex issue that resonates from local to global arenas. The concerted efforts of individual Canadians, corporate citizens and governments of all stripes will be needed to achieve this end. The Sustainable Development Strategies (SDS) now required of all departments, set a positive example through which our government provides corporate leadership. At a macro level, sustainable development is clearly a basic tenet of environmental stewardship. Environment Canada is focussed on becoming the leader in this area. In a statement of basic values the department asserts:

- **Our vision** is to see a Canada where people make responsible decisions about the environment and where the environment is thereby sustained for the benefit of present and future generations.
- **Our mission** at Environment Canada is to make sustainable development a reality in Canada by helping Canadians live and prosper in an environment that needs to be respected, protected and conserved.

Given the resources and experience of the department, and the skills and focus of its people, leadership in sustainable development is a natural objective for Environment Canada.

Climate Change

Climate change concerns are subsumed in the issue of sustainable development. Climate change is the most readily recognizable end product of unenlightened economic growth. An effort to mitigate climate change is a step toward sustainable development.

Canada's Climate Change Plan is being co-managed by the Minister of the Environment and the Minister of Natural Resources. The mandate and normal bailiwick of each of these federal departments provide an intrinsic affinity with the issue and a vested interest in a successful outcome. A total of $3.7 billion has been allotted to the enterprise in order to meet our pledge to reduce GHG emissions by 240 million tonnes, on average, through the first Kyoto Accord commitment period of 2008–2010.

Innovation

Innovation is not a commodity that can be produced on demand. Rather, it is the flowering of a process through which it is nurtured in a supportive milieu. The Government of Canada is determined to foster conditions in which innovation becomes commonplace. Environment Canada has embraced this approach.

Innovation and partnership are the twin pillars that will provide solutions to the issues facing Environment Canada and our country as a whole. Innovation will lead to the development of the eco-efficient products and processes needed to achieve sustainability at home, and will give Canadian businesses an advantage in the newly emerging environmental products industry.

The **Program of Energy Research and Development or PERD** offers the possibility to institute sustainable development, mitigate climate change and incorporate innovation.

What is PERD?

The Program of Energy Research and Development is a federal energy research and development program that focuses specifically on Canadian energy issues and their impact. Environment Canada's focus towards ***sustainable development, mitigation of climate change and innovation*** is directly supported by PERD. Through its funding, PERD helps EC advance its objectives in an environmentally sound manner, delivering on the mission of the department by helping Canadians live and prosper in an environment that is protected and conserved.

Environment Canada's participation in a program such as PERD provides the information needed to identify and respond to existing and emerging environmental challenges. Moreover, these activities serve as a basis for the formulation of environmental policies needed to achieve sustainable development. PERD activities support the development of new environmental technologies to prevent and remediate environmental pollution.

- PERD is dedicated to "fund research and development designed to ensure a sustainable energy future for Canada in the best interests of both our economy and our environment."

- PERD is a vector through which funding can flow, with a mandate to support non-nuclear energy research and development.

- PERD is providing funds to interdepartmental activities that are working to provide solutions for Canada's energy priorities, such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving the energy efficiency of our homes, offices and industries, finding practical, affordable alternate sources of energy, developing cleaner, more efficient transportation vehicles and systems, ensuring the integrity of Canada's energy infrastructure, and providing economic opportunities for Canada's energy-related industries.

- PERD is a direct support for 40% of all non-nuclear energy research and development at or above the provincial government level in Canada.

- PERD is a direct support towards the efforts of a wide variety of stakeholders interested in the advancement of energy research and development.

- PERD is an active partnership with government research facilities at all levels, with universities, with corporate entities, and with other interested organizations and associations. It draws together and augments the strengths of many groups toward a common goal.

- PERD is a source of solutions that embodies the best qualities of government in responding to arising energy issues by bringing to bear the resources of a broad spectrum of interested parties. It bypasses the drawbacks inherent to unilateral efforts and benefits from the positive synergistic effect of combined strengths and the creative consensus building potential of diverse organizations. Additionally, this strategy provides for fiscal responsibility by foregoing duplication of effort and seeking to fund excellence in research wherever it is found.

- PERD is ideally positioned to play a positive supporting role in the energy interests of numerous organizations including advancing the social, economic and environmental agendas of Environment Canada. In the broadest sense, the unique attributes of PERD ensure that the Environment Canada–PERD partnership effectively contributes energy solutions to compliment the goals of the Government of Canada vis-à-vis the priority issues of our day.

Management and Funding at PERD

Like many other programs within the federal government, PERD has moved from an activity-based program to a results-based management (RBM) framework. This structure helps PERD be more flexible and responsive to Canada's dynamic energy priorities to ensure a sustainable future.

In 1999, the Assistant Deputy Minister (ADM) of NRCan's Energy Sector recognized the need to restructure the program to form a better link between energy sector policies and

science and technology investments. The approach incorporated performance measurement and evaluation within the framework, essential to more effectively monitor progress and increase the level of accountability to deliver results. In addition, the RBM structure lends itself to increased interdepartmental collaboration specifically because the projects are grouped under common areas within the Program at the Objective Level (POL).

The RBM logic model links POL outputs to higher level outcomes and longer term impacts. An evaluation process is built into this model in which each year, one quarter of the POLs in the overall program are reviewed. In this evaluation, external reviewers determine if the outputs have been achieved and if any outcomes are attributed to those achievements. Once the evaluation has been performed, a second review attempts to shape the framework of priorities for the next term of POLs. This review process determines the allocation of funds, as well as the creation, termination, expansion, and merging of POLs that suit the current Energy Priority Framework (EPF).

The EPF, developed by the Energy Sector of NRCan, summarizes the current energy priorities facing Canada. In response to these priorities, the S&T Companion Document (CD) supplements the EPF by defining six strategic intents that describe the broad directions of NRCan's non-nuclear energy S&T activities. Strategic intents are divided according to major priorities called strategic directions, with each strategic direction having one or more long-term objectives. Environment Canada participates in projects under all six **Strategic Intents:**

- **Diversifying Canada's Oil and Gas**
- **Cleaner Transportation for the Future**
- **Energy-efficient Buildings and Communities**
- **Energy-efficient Industry**
- **Canada's Electricity Infrastructure**
- **Climate Change**

Since the document "Program of Energy Research and Development of Environment Canada 1999-2001—A two year review" was published a few changes have occurred within EC's participation in the PERD program. Firstly, EC has now become a participant in the Northern Hydrocarbon Production POL 1.2.2. Secondly, the newly created "Energy Management for Sustainable Communities" POL 3.2.4, to which EC actively participates, has brought together participants and projects that made up two former POLs, Energy Systems for Sustainable Community Development (3.2.3) and Community Energy Systems (3.2.1). The new POL 3.2.4 now takes a more global approach to community-level energy use.

PERD at Environment Canada

Although the activities of PERD are conducted primarily under the auspices of Natural Resources Canada, the Program funds energy research and development interests in eleven other federal departments and sub-agencies. Environment Canada's allotment of the total PERD funding budget makes the Department the second largest participant in the Program.

Environment Canada is a key player in the PERD program, leading the delivery of environmental science and technology specific to energy issues with quite a diverse portfolio. Environment Canada manages 58 PERD projects, contributing to 17 of the 33 program objectives (POLs) under PERD and to all six strategic intents. Environment Canada has been actively involved with PERD since 1977 and significant benefits have accrued to Environment Canada's three science based Business Lines (i.e., Clean Environment, Nature, and Weather and Environmental Predictions).

Research at Environment Canada- A Partnership with PERD

Environment Canada is a science-based department. Science is the fundamental tool used to deliver on the promise of the department's vision and mission statements. The scientific method is used to understand the processes by which our environment functions. Research provides the baseline against which policy actions are measured and upon which sound decisions concerning future initiatives are made. The quality of the scientists and of the research at Environment Canada are world class. The department understands the advantages of the horizontal approach in managing emerging issues and is, now more than ever, committed to considering economic and social issues in conjunction with its environmental initiatives. It is eager to partner with like minded departments and agencies.

The sources and methods we use to produce energy and the nature of the technologies we employ to exploit it are central to the issues of sustainable development and climate change. Energy production, transmission and use are the largest source of GHG emission in Canada. The simple acts of driving vehicles and heating buildings are major GHG sources. In addition, the production and transportation of energy introduces significant non-GHG contamination into our environment. The most cost-effective avenue to sustainability is found in increasing the efficiency of energy use and production. Before we achieve our desired environmental goals, the energy sector will undergo a significant transformation.

PERD is adept at finding and supporting projects that are providing innovation in the energy sector. PERD is dedicated to provide quality research on topics related to energy and the environment, and to the advancement of a Canadian economic advantage. It acts horizontally in concert with many interested parties. PERD is poised to contribute to the efforts of Environment Canada in each of the three areas of concentration delineated in the, "2003-2004 Estimates: Report on Plans and Priorities." It becomes therefore obvious that the Environment Canada–PERD partnership was inevitable. Hereafter are presented some PERD projects within Environment Canada that have or will significantly contribute to the realization of Environment Canada priority initiatives.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Oil and Gas Sector

Offshore Environmental Factors

Profiles by Strategic Intent

The following section describes the programs at the objective level (POLs) in which EC participates and gives a brief overview of the EC projects involved in those POLs.

Strategic Intent 1—Oil and Gas Sector

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 provides S&T to extend and diversify Canada's oil and gas production from offshore and northern regions through the development of the science and technology needed for standards and regulations, and to reduce costs and mitigate environmental and safety concerns. Priority will be given to R&D related to new sources of natural gas.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 1.2.1

Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF) for Regulatory, Design, Safety, and Economic Purposes.

POL 1.2.1—Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF)
The work of this POL contributes to ensuring the safe, efficient, and economical extraction of natural hydrocarbon resources in harsh offshore environments. The OEF POL is a group of coordinated research initiatives from several federal departments that support the development of tools, techniques, methodologies, and basic scientific understanding required to address the design, operational and regulatory needs of the oil and gas industry off Canada's east coast and in the north. The research helps fulfill government departmental mandates in support of energy and sustainable development; improves the ability to make timely and economical engineering decisions and regulatory approvals; and helps ensure human safety and environmentally safe oil and gas operations. The meteorological monitoring responsibility of EC extends from providing accurate weather information to all Canadians to working within the mandates of this POL. Through the Weather and Environmental Predictions business line, EC provides weather information for the safe exploitation of our offshore energy reserves as well as to all Canadians.

Some highlights within this POL and lead by EC include work on reducing the uncertainty in wind and wave design criteria off the east coast of Canada. A 49-year database of wind and wave hindcasts has been achieved and is continuously updated. It is used extensively by industry in several east coast offshore projects. Another project is MIROS (Microwave Remote Sensor for the Ocean Surface), to be used to measure wind and wave intensities. It's reliability is being tested in severe storm conditions. Overall, it is expected that the reliability of wind and wave forecasts will increase and that some savings in operating costs might be realized. In order to improve safety and efficiency of hydrocarbon extraction operations in ice-infested waters, EC excels towards development of models to predict and detect movements of icebergs and changes in sea ice; these are improved upon, tested and modified on a continuing basis.

Research projects are coordinated efforts by federal laboratories from EC, DFO, NRC, and NRCan. These projects also include close collaboration with Canadian (MUN, University of Calgary, University of Ottawa, Dalhousie University,) and various international agencies and universities (Southampton (U.K.) Oceanography Centre and the Bedford Institute of Oceanography, Oxford University), industry (e.g. Oceanweather Inc.), the OGP, private contractors, other federal departments (PWGSC, DND, Canadian Space Agency) and U.S.-based federal laboratories.

The following activities are included under POL 1.2.1:

- Wind- and Wave-Hindcasting and Forecasting
- Sea ice and Iceberg Detection and Forecasting
- Ocean Current Measurements and Circulation Modelling
- Ice-Structure Interaction Research and Standard Setting
- Seabed Stability Research and Development
- Basin Assessment Research

The OEF POL has established various international partnerships. Multinational oil and gas industries are now collaborating with this POL in three new partnerships in order to facilitate current measurements in Atlantic offshore. Collaborative work between the Canadian and the European Space Agencies involve satellite imagery to enhance safety and efficiency of marine operations in ice-infested waters. Cooperation continues between CIS and IIC (International Ice Patrol) in the exchange of iceberg data and European Ice Services. The CHC advises the European Union Framework Program 5 project “STRICE”. Many universities also participate in various ways with the OEF POL either by exchange information or joint projects.

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 20 individual projects of one- or two-year duration. For 2002-2003, 18 individual projects of two- to four-year duration were in progress. In 2002-2003, POL 1.2.1 was in its first year of a four-year POL Plan. EC is leading 4 of these projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 1.2.1 was $5,554,000, and $6,595,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $2,732,000 and for 2002-2003, $2,682,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 1.). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2001 was 2.0 and for 2002-2003, 2.5.

Table 1. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.2.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	34.6	31.7
EC	23.0	21.1
NRC	21.3	21.1
DFO	19.8	24.8
POL Coordination EC	1.3	—
POL Coordination DFO	—	1.3

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.2.1

Offshore Wind and Wave Design Criteria

Project Manager: Val Swail

Project Objectives

This project is a continuation of a previous PERD project investigating wind and wave design criteria. This project is closely linked to the *Climate Change and Offshore Design Criteria* project in POL 6.1.1. Previous versions dealt only with hindcasts of a small set of storms, with attendant uncertainty in the estimates. Recent advances in global reanalyses, interactive kinematic analysis techniques developed by this project, and advances in computing technology have allowed for continuous hindcasts, including shallow water effects, of 50 years duration, greatly reducing the uncertainty in design estimates.

This project has been coordinated through two PERD Technical Working Groups, the Canadian National Waves Committee and the Working Group on Marine Winds. The work is also closely coordinated with the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) MetOcean Committee, which represents the technical expertise for all of the world's major oil companies; project goals, objectives and results are presented regularly to this Committee, at their regular meetings and at specialized symposia. The member companies of the OGP have contributed significantly to this project, particularly in the development and testing of the wind/wave hindcast methodology. Other collaborators in the project include the Southampton (U.K.) Oceanography Centre and the Bedford Institute of Oceanography on the topic of measurement uncertainties in ship, platform and buoy winds. BIO is also an important partner in the development of advanced wave models, particularly related to extreme storms. The hindcast work is done in collaboration with Oceanweather Inc., who have many years experience in all of the world's ocean basins, for government and the oil and gas industry.

This project also provides the critical data bases for work carried out in a PERD project in the Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector on the impacts of potential climate change on future design criteria.

The objective of this project is to develop methodologies to reliably determine offshore wind and wave design criteria. This project addresses a broad spectrum of R&D activities between the basic research on winds and waves and the ultimate use of the information by regulators, code developers, design engineers and operators of exploration, production and transportation facilities offshore. The primary focus of this research project is on reducing the uncertainty in wind and wave design criteria off the east coast of Canada.

This project benefits EC because the long term continuous wind and wave hindcast data bases for the North Atlantic Ocean produced by this project represent the most important homogeneous data set available for determination of long term trend and variability in wind, wave and storm climatology, which is an important objective of the Climate Research Branch. The joint project with the Netherlands Meteorological Institute helps us to describe wind, wave and storm variability on a global basis.

Methodology

This research project has three important components: (1) to investigate the problems with specification of wind speeds due to measurement uncertainties in ship, platform, buoy and satellite winds which form the basis for the hindcast, and mesoscale features embedded in the synoptic scale flow which contribute additional energy; (2) to develop wind and wave hindcast methodologies incorporating those research results; (3) to develop, produce and disseminate reliable, up-to-date design criteria for winds and waves off the east coast of Canada.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- Revised wind-wave hindcast models and methodology (winds and waves) and procedures based on implementation of wind-wave research results (March 2005).
    1. Paper and presentation to 7th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting on detailed analysis of tropical storm types (October 2002 - done)
    2. Journal paper on reliability of buoy wind speed measurements in high sea states (March 2003 - done)
    3. Interim report on SOC flow distortion study (March 2003 - done)
    4. Report on vertical wind profile study (October 2004)
    5. Paper on SAR wind analysis of coastal and mesoscale wind patterns (March 2005)
    6. Final report on SOC flow distortion study (October 2004)
    7. Paper and presentation to 8th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting on MSC50 wind and wave hindcast (October 2004 - new)

- 50-year continuous wind-wave hindcast database (1956-2005) for the western North Atlantic on a ~50 km grid based on revised methodologies (March 2006).
    1. 47-year wind wave hindcast data base (March 2003 - done)
    2. Presentation to industry on 50-year hindcast (October 2003 - done)
    3. Completion of MSC50 wind and wave hindcast (March 2005 – new)
    4. Report on validation of 50-year hindcast, including 1-D and 2-D wave spectra (December 2005)

- Revised wind-wave design criteria based on additional years and revised methodologies, to industry, Boards for *Guidelines* (March 2006).
    1. Initial Web page online with hindcast, validation and design criteria information (March 2003 - done – to be updated routinely as additional information becomes available)
    2. Interim design criteria for east coast based on 47 year hindcast (March 2004)
    3. Presentation to industry on revised design information (October 2004)
    4. Organization of 8th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting, (November 2004 – new)
    5. Development of Regional Annex for ISO 1990-1 Metocean design and operating considerations, for Canadian East Coast (October 2004 – new).

The 49-year database of high-quality continuous wind and wave hindcasts has been used extensively by industry in several east coast offshore projects during the year, including Petro-Canada, EnCan, Exxon/Mobil, Chevron/Texaco, Marathon and Shell, and by regulatory authorities in several Environmental Assessments. The users of the hindcast data bases have expressed considerable interest in using the updated versions as they become available, and eventually the second generation, high-resolution 50-year version, incorporating the additional research results, by 2005/06. The wind and wave hindcast results will, at the invitation of the industry, form the basis for the East Coast of Canada Regional Annex to the International Standard ISO/DIS 19901-1: Petroleum and natural gas industries – specific requirements for offshore structures: Part I: Metocean design and operating considerations.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $595,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 34.5% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry, others such as US Army, U. Southampton, Oxford U., Oceanweather Inc., Netherlands Met. Inst). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.9.

Data Assimilation into Coupled Atmosphere-Ocean Wave Models

Project Manager: Laurence Wilson

Project Objectives
This project is a scaled down version of an earlier PERD project aimed at the development of a fully integrated coupled atmosphere-ocean wave data assimilation and short range forecast modeling system. The present project focuses on research and development of high space-time resolution wave models for use in hindcast studies, and forecasting of near-shore ocean waves.

The objectives of this project are:

- To ensure the availability of a state-of-the-art, high quality wave models for operational use in wave hindcasting and forecasting;
- To improve marine wind forecasting and analysis;
- "….investigation of extreme mesoscale features; exploitation of remote sensing capabilities; improvements to longer lead-time forecasts and forecast products";
- "….forecasts of wave spectra; investigation of tropical storms, particularly as they become extra-tropical with major impacts for both design and prediction (a particularly troublesome east coast Canadian problem). It was the consensus of the workshop that research and development on design and prediction of environmental parameters continues to be an important priority for the sustainable, cost effective, environmentally responsible and safe development of offshore oil and gas, in the short medium and long term."

This project benefits EC by ensuring that state-of-the-art ocean wave models are fully validated in Canadian waters and are made available in a form that is useable in MSC operations. This results in more accurate wave forecasts and analyses for Canadian waters.

Methodology
Model development and validation; comparative evaluation of model performance for extreme wave cases in Canadian waters.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- A new high resolution version of the wave model fully validated and prepared for operational use has been completed. CMC is presently implementing the model. Research has turned to the evaluation of high resolution, near shore, shallow water algorithms in preparation for the next generation of wave models;
- Studies of extreme storms: Model performance on January 2000 and January 2002 storms has been evaluated. Performance of the new version of the operational model and of research models designed for near shore shallow water wave simulation is in progress. We are using Hurricane Juan as a case for evaluation, and have obtained high quality wind analyses to drive the wave models;

- Full coupling of the wave model with the operational atmospheric model is in progress. The goal of this part of the project is to ensure consistency between the structure of WAM and the atmospheric model, and to include realistic two-way physical feedback between the surface winds and the ocean waves;

- International intercomparison project: This has essentially been completed with the publication described below, but data is still collected regularly by the international team;

- Wind data assimilation: Little work has been done on this part of the project because of funding constraints. A small project to determine wind error correlation statistics for east coast marine areas was completed in 2002.

Results of recent PERD-funded research into the international wave model WAM have led to the implementation of a new upgraded version of this model for use in operational wave forecasting in MSC. Implementation of this model has been accepted by CMC, based on the results of the research carried out. This results directly in more accurate daily wave forecasts for East and West coast waters.
Continual intercomparison of wave forecasts from operational wave models have shown the Canadian model to be competitive with wave forecast models in other meteorological services over several years. These results were published in the journal Weather and Forecasting.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $261,350 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 50.3% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.0.

Operational Ice Modelling

Project Manager: Tom Carrières

Project Objectives

This project has been in progress since 1987. A project managed by BIO (Bedford Institute of Oceanography) on coupled ice-ocean modeling and the *Operational Ice Modeling* project are very strongly linked in that the models and research from the BIO project are implemented to support CIS operations through the CIS project. The main objective of this project in the context of PERD is to improve the safety of offshore drilling operations through improved CIS sea ice and iceberg analyses and forecasts.

This project benefits EC through its improved models and applications of models to improve the reliability and accuracy of CIS ice information services.

Methodology

The main focus of the project is to identify new research results and models and to implement them operationally at CIS. The focus of industry has been on iceberg models but coupled ice-ocean model development has also been a key factor since ocean currents are the single most important driver for iceberg drift.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

As an ongoing project the overall goal has been to improve CIS products. In a very similar vein to NWP, the improvements are ongoing. Overall the project continues to be on-target and keenly focused on industry needs. The biggest success story has been the industry acceptance and use of the CIS iceberg model. An interface allows industry to input iceberg observations and provides them with forecasts of the iceberg's trajectory. This has become an instrumental aspect of their iceberg management operations. The other main success has been the close collaboration between BIO and CIS and the growing international linkages with US governments (IIP and NIC) and with European ice services.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $452,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 44.8% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry, others such as IIP). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.2.

Operational Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne SAR

Project Manager: Dean Flett

Project Objectives

This project was originally proposed and accepted in 1999/2000. The current project and work is an extension of the original project proposal. This project is not done as part of a bigger project or program within the federal government. However, the work undertaken in this project is closely linked to and directly benefits to and from an industry-led program entitled, the Integrated Ice Management Initiative (IIMI). Much of the IIMI work is being done by or led by C-CORE of St. John's, with whom this PERD project work closely. The IIMI is a large and comprehensive program spanning the spectrum of ice management R&D in support of oil and gas operations off Canada's east coast.

By developing the capability to routinely use remotely sensed data, particularly RADARSAT Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) data and in the future ENVISAT and RADARSAT-2, to detect and monitor icebergs off Canada's East Coast, the CIS will improve its ability to issue more complete, timely, and accurate iceberg warnings and forecasts, as well as expand the utility of RADARSAT and make more effective and complete use of the data.

Since icebergs are a continuing hazard for marine activities, this meets the Environment Canada objective to minimize risks to life and property. Improved iceberg analyses and forecasts also meet the PERD objective to enhance the predictive capability of marine environmental parameters that have a direct bearing on human safety and sound operations.

Methodology

The overall methodology applied in this project involves the collection and validation of iceberg target information (location, size, shape, etc.) against the target information derived (either manually or automatically) from the SAR image data. Algorithm and software development is done in parallel to implement and refine detection algorithms to automatically detect and discriminate the iceberg targets from other valid targets (e.g. ships) or erroneous targets. Thresholds and probabilities are developed for different SAR beam modes (e.g. resolution, incidence angle) and environmental conditions (e.g. wind speed, sea state) using the validation data and are used to refine the algorithms. As advanced SAR capabilities continue to come available (e.g. multiple-polarization and polarimetry), these capabilities are assessed to improve the automated detection and discrimination. The automated detection systems are/have been integrated into the CIS data processing and analysis environment and are tested and evaluated for operational utility and usability to augment the existing data sources used to carry out the iceberg monitoring program.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The project has resulted in the successful integration of the IDS (Iceberg Detection Software), developed by C-CORE specifically to comply with CIS information technology architecture and data processing flow. A scientific report clearly summarizing the capabilities of RADARSAT-1 for iceberg detection and specifying the optimal beam modes was recently presented to the CIS. In addition, the IDS has been enhanced to handle Envisat ASAR data, including the multiple polarization beam modes. Initial testing with multi-polarization ASAR data indicates promise for improving ship vs iceberg discrimination.

The success of this project is that, C-CORE, the prime contractor and developer supported through this project, in conjunction with support from IIMI and the European Space Agency (ESA), has taken the results from the last 5 years and is offering a "SAR Iceberg Detection Service". Oil and gas companies as well as the International Ice Patrol have used SAR-derived information to support their activities in the past 2-3 years. This coming season, in 2004, C-CORE will be delivering services to these entities as well as the CIS, using Envisat ASAR data provided through their ESA-supported "Northern View" program.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $125,250 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 27.2% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry, other such as CSA funding to CIS, European Space Agency). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.7.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 1.2.2

Carry out R&D in aid to regulatory requirements for the eventual production of oil and gas in the north.

POL 1.2.2—Northern Hydrocarbon Production

Hydrocarbon exploration activities are rapidly progressing in the Northwest Territories as the oil industry moves north along the Mackenzie Valley into the Delta and over the next several years into the Beaufort nearshore. Interest is also growing for sedimentary basins in the Yukon and in Nunavut, in particular in the Arctic Archipelago and the northeastern Continental Margin. In the past, exploration activities were the main focus and resulted in the ability to cope with short term explorations but not necessarily long term development activities. Science and technology is currently the focus of the Northern Hydrocarbon Production POL Plan, as it relates to identifying and mitigating environmental, geotechnical and engineering constraints to northern hydrocarbon development (exploration and production).

Some of the highlights of this POL from projects led by various departments, include an extensive record of ice ridging and thickness that is continuous since April 1991; an extensive knowledge of these factors is essential in order to understand marine hazards in hydrocarbon development. A multi-tasked prototype of the ice-profiling sonar has been developed with collaboration of ASL Environmental Sciences Inc. Natural gas hydrates contain a source of highly concentrated natural gas in the form of methane. Gas hydrates are found in sub-oceanic sediments in polar regions (shallow water) and in continental slope sediments (deep water) where pressure and temperature conditions make it stable. Many new insights were gained on gas hydrates in the Mackenzie Delta such as the stability of the occurrence of free gas in contact with gas hydrates and the occurrence of gas hydrates within permafrost; this is the first extensive production testing of a gas hydrate deposit. A project led by EC is gathering critical information in order to reduce the risk of environmental damages resulting from the use of sumps in connection with exploration for oil and gas in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the Northwest Territories. Maps, guides and data will indicate areas where the use of sumps should be avoided.

An advisory committee leads the identification and investigation of constraints to hydrocarbon development. This committee has representatives from the oil industry, National Energy Board, Inuvialuit First Nation, and five government departments: Natural Resources Canada, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Environment Canada and the National Research Council.

Funding sources and partners in the POL include several federal departments (NRCan, EC, DFO, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada), Canadian Museum of Nature, the Government of the Northwest Territories, the Inuvialuit Social Development Program, private industry, the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP), US Geological Survey, and the Canadian Space Agency.

The following activities are included under POL 1.2.2:

- Environmental Factors
- Goetechnical Factors
- Engineering Factors

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 6 individual projects (environmental and geotechnical activities). For 2002-2003, 13 individual projects were conducted under Environmental Factors (6 projects), Gegotechnical Concerns (5 projects), and Engineering Factors (2 projects). In 2002-2003, POL 1.2.2 was in its first year of a new four-year POL plan. EC is leading one of these projects started in 2002 under the environmental activities.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 1.2.2 was $9,174,000. The budget was unavailable for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $455,000 but were unavailable for 2002-2003. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 2). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 20.2.

Table 2. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.2.2 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2000–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	62.6	N/a
DFO	32.1	N/a
EC	—	(40,000)
POL Plan administration	5.3	N/a

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.2.2

Minimizing Environmental Risk from Petroleum Exploration in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the Northwest Territories

Project Manager: Laura Johnston

Project Objectives

The project did not stem from a previous PERD initiative. The project was initiated in 2002/03 to address concerns regarding the apparent lack of success of long term containment of wastes within in-ground sumps. The primary objective of the project is to reduce the risk of environmental damages resulting from the use of sumps in connection with exploration for oil and gas. It focuses on the management of drilling mud and liquid wastes from camps, as these are the major waste streams produced during petroleum exploration. The knowledge and tools developed will focus on the production of maps, guides and data sets to indicate areas where the use of sumps should be curtailed and/or avoided because there may be a significant risk of failure. The project comprises 4 phases: Phase 1 was a feasibility study to determine if constraints maps could be produced for the Mackenzie Delta. Phase 2 was to refine the existing work from a specific focus on constraints mapping to determine the spatial data required to aid in decision making. Phase 3 was to focus on coordinating data collection, scientific studies and field work to collect and analyze data to develop a preliminary constraints mapping model. Phase 4 is expected to result in the development of a user controllable mapping tool.

The key benefit of this project to both Environment Canada and other stakeholders is the coordination, development, publication and distribution of meaningful scientific information (research and data) necessary to develop and implement environmental management strategies that minimizing the environmental risk from petroleum exploration in the lower Mackenzie River valley of the Northwest Territories.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The project has led to the development of critical partnerships. It has influenced the development of research projects and data acquisition initiatives that will provide the necessary information to develop a constraints mapping tool. Key partners to the success of this project include:

- Government of the Northwest Territories;
- Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development
- Natural Resources Canada
- Mackenzie Delta Producers Group (Industry)
- Dr. Kevin Biggar, University of Alberta
- Steve Kokelj, Doctorate Fellow, Carleton University

Phase 1 (2002/2003)

Conduct a project to determine the feasibility of developing constraints maps for Mackenzie Delta. The goal was to develop a map-based tool to help reduce the risk of environmental damages resulting from industrial activities. The resulting maps were to be designed for use by government agencies, regulators, industry and communities to ensure the sustainability (balance of environment and economic concerns) of this industry. The specific goals of the assessment were to:

- Document the methodology associated with the development of constraints maps for the region;
- Conduct a data review of existing digital datasets and on-going data gathering initiatives to identify usable datasets and document existing data gaps;
- Develop a preliminary set of matrices to serve as a 'straw model' for subsequent review and discussion purposes; and
- Detail the tasks required to develop constraints maps for the region and recommend a plan of action.

After review of the data available for the Mackenzie Delta area, it became apparent that only small scale (low level of detail) mapping exists for the majority of the study area. This scale of data is less than optimal for the generation of constraints maps and therefore further effort expended to assemble the information and develop constraints mapping matrices was not considered feasible in the short term. It was however, determined that a comprehensive data review detailing the environmental conditions of the delta would be an invaluable tool for the environmental management of the region. In addition to the review of existing data, it was also identified that data gaps and current related research projects be thoroughly documented and data collection priorities and protocols be developed.

Phase 2 (2003/2004)

To refine the existing work from its focus on constraints mapping to determine what spatial data are required to make informed environmental management decisions. The deliverable for Phases 1 and 2 (spring 2004) will be a report which includes a discussion of the following topics:

- An overview of the current environmental conditions in the Mackenzie Delta. The preliminary topics for review include but are not limited to the following:
  - Climate
  - Physiographic
  - Hydrology, Hydrogeology, Limnology and Coastal Processes
  - Soils and Permafrost
  - Vegetation
  - Wildlife

- A breakdown of the environmental parameters and sensitivities that are involved with industrial development and activities within the delta. This would include an identification of the risk factors and their significance for the environment and industrial development.
- Details will be provided on:
  - What environmental variables are to be considered
  - Why these variables are important
  - What data is available and/or should be collected for the variables
  - Data collection standards (e.g., attributes and scale). This would be the first step in defining a minimum data specification for data collection towards the goal of formalizing the data collection process.
  - Alternative data collection methods that provide possible solutions to data gaps. This would include the comparison of remote sensing technology (satellite imagery, air photos and LIDAR). Discussion concerning the pros and cons of different methods will be provided including an estimate of associated costs.
  - Relevance to the assessment of the industrial developments.
- A review of the spatial data available and, where possible, privately held datasets would be detailed.
- A review of northern contaminant transport issues and research relating to risk of containment failure of past, present and future drilling waste disposal sites
- A review of current field research being conducted relating to Northern permafrost conditions

Phase 3 (2004/2005)

Phase three will focus on coordinating data collection, scientific studies and field work to collect and analyze the appropriate data required to develop a preliminary constraints mapping model.

A workshop of Northern researchers will be coordinated to develop a research strategy and develop data collection methodologies to address knowledge and data gaps/inconsistencies. This step is key to ensuring meaningful data is acquired in the future to refine constraint mapping models.

Currently, a working group (external to the current project) is proposing a project to develop a digital elevation model for the Mackenzie Delta. As this parallel project could play a key role in providing high resolution base data necessary for the development of constraint maps, Environment Canada has worked to influence the technical specifications to ensure the data collected will be capable of producing high resolution environmental feature and constraint maps. If funding is approved and data acquisition is completed by August 2004,

the current project will use the new data in combination with information gathered from the initial phases of the current project to develop a constraints mapping model. Work will focus on developing output for a small test case area to help examine the feasibility of carrying out the work and to develop accurate cost estimates for completing the project on a broader scale.

Phase 4

Develop user controllable Internet based GIS mapping tool which uses refined risk assessment model to display scalable maps and data sets over the chosen area. User manual, data identification (meta data) and user instructions must be Internet based.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $271,800 (2002-2003 only). An average 80.0% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.3.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 1.2.3

Regulatory Requirements for the Safe and Efficient Transportation of Oil and Gas by Tankers, and for the Other Occupational and Public Safety Standards.

POL 1.2.3—Marine Transportation and Safety (MTS)

Canada's offshore areas are often under severe environmental conditions. The safe and efficient transportation of hydrocarbons by tankers not only requires an understanding of equipment, systems and operations, but also of how the tankers and their personnel are affected by these environmental conditions while in normal or emergency situations (such as escape, evacuation and rescue). The Marine Transportation and Safety (MTS) POL plan groups coordinated research initiatives from various federal departments that involve regulatory requirements relating to the safe and efficient transport of oil and gas by tankers and for related personnel safety needs. The research inputs into the fulfillment of governmental department mandates in support of energy development and sustainable development; provides the ability to make timely and economical engineering decisions and regulatory approvals and help to improve human safety and ensure environmentally safe oil and gas operations.

Some highlights within this POL include recorded data on detection distances of bergy bits; this resulted in the deployment of 5 Advanced Radar systems to key commercial and governmental clients. A draft of an operational guideline for escape, evacuation and rescue from offshore petroleum installations has also been completed; this will lead to a standard for use by industry and regulators. EC has contributed to the expansion of knowledge on the process of calving, drift, dispersion and deterioration of bergy bits. Critical data was taken in cold and moderate sea states as opposed to previous observations in warm and calm seas. Improved bergy bit size distribution parameterization was derived and the overall understanding of the melt of bergy bits has significantly improved.

An advisory group with non-vested interests provides a strategic overview of each activity and the POL as a whole, and determines the best mix of projects that can be done. Each project involves collaboration with various government departments such as NRCan, DFO, NRC, Transport Canada, regulators, CAPP, the oil and gas industry and various contractors and consultants.

The following activities are included under POL 1.2.3:

- Offshore Safety
- Marine Operations
- Ship Design

For 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, the POL plan included 8 individual projects of one- or two-year duration. In 2002-2003, POL 1.2.3 was in its first year of a four-year POL Plan. EC is leading 1 of these projects under the Marine Operations activity.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 1.2.3 was $1,647,000, and $1,819,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $769,000 and for 2002-2003, $702,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 3.). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 2.1 and 2.6 for 2002-2003.

Table 3. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.2.3 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRC	44.6	50.9
TC	21.3	23.1
NRCan	17.8	11.3
EC	10.1	11.3
Possibly POL Administration	6.1	3.6

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.2.3

Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions

Project Manager: Tom Carrières

Project Objectives

The project started in 2001-2002 and is an offshoot of the *Operational Ice Modelling* project in the OEF POL. *Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions* looks into issues more related to energy transportation. It's main objective is to improve the safety of energy transportation (shuttle tankers) by developing better iceberg and bergy bit models and products.

This project benefits EC through its improved iceberg models and more accurate iceberg products.

Methodology

Field experiments are conducted to acquire information on bergy bit size distributions, drift, dispersion etc. Following data accumulation, there is an analysis of results. These results are then incorporated into models. Products are further developed and refined. Prototype products are then evaluated by industry.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Outputs of this project include an improved understanding of bergy bit characteristics, improved iceberg models and products as well as journal publications. This project has been able to collect highly valued information regarding bergy bits as well as new findings that have expanded world knowledge about the process of calving, drift, dispersion and deterioration of small glacial masses. For example, a significant number of new calving observations have been made in May 2002. This data is critical since it was taken in cold and moderate sea states as opposed to previous observations in warm and calm seas. An improved bergy bit size distribution parameterization has been derived and an overall understanding of the melt of bergy bits has improved.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $250,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 32% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others such as IIP, industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.1.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 3

Strategic Direction 3 is to provide S&T to address cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and offshore oil and gas resources.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 1.3.1

The Regulation and Reduction of GHG and Other Atmospheric Emissions, Primarily from Flaring.

POL 1.3.1—Flaring Research Initiative

The oil and gas industry in Alberta now achieves a 92% conservation rate of the solution gas produced. The practice of flaring (combustion in a flare) disposes of the remaining portion that is not captured and marketed (over 1.8 billion cubic meters per year). There is considerable pressure on industry and government to reduce or eliminate flaring due to the public's concerns over potential environmental and health impacts. The practice of flaring is also a general concern since it has been identified as a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. The Flaring Research Initiative (FRI) POL is a coordinated research initiative to reduce or eliminate the potentially harmful effects of flaring solution gas. Regulation of flares is presently under provincial jurisdiction. The federal government may become involved in future regulation of flares in the event that there is conclusive evidence of toxic emissions covered by the Canadian Environmental Protection Act. The study of flaring at all federal levels and industry must be pursued in order to reduce GHG emissions, to reduce potential health effects and to conserve a non-renewable resource.

The research under the Flare Performance Activity is potentially going to be used by the International Energy Agency to establish baseline greenhouse gas emissions worldwide from which any improvements in practice will be measured. The World Bank Global Gas Flaring Reduction Partnership (GGFR) is also promoting the adoption of many of the results of this initiative in the developing world where flaring of solution gas associated with primary oil production is widely practiced. A principal project completed during this reporting cycle was the technical assessment of an optical technology to determine the capacity to accurately monitor solution gas flare plumes for constituents such as methane (CH_4) and Sulphur Dioxide (SO_2) simultaneously under field conditions. This optical technology would be deployed during the final year of the POL 1.3.1 in order to monitor such things as flare combustion efficiency and pollutant dispersion within the flare plume. The research associated with this POL is critical in further advancing the development of flaring reduction technology and the development of science based flaring policy and regulation required to reduce or eliminate the impacts of flaring on the global environment.

The Flaring Research Initiative (FRI) groups a number of projects undertaken with the support of industry, CAPP, several federal departments such as NRCan, EC, NRC, provincial agencies such as, Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, BC Energy Mines & Resources, Alberta Energy Research Institute and the Alberta Department of Energy.

The following activities are included under POL 1.3.1:

- Flare Performance
- Speciation
- Liquid Separation
- Fate and Transport

EC participates in all the projects within this POL via EC's Bill Reynen who is an active member of the PTAC Technical Steering Committee for POL 1.3.1

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 1.3.1 was $3,726,000, and $919,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $530,000 and for 2002-2003, $599,000. For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 7, and 1.5 for 2002-2003.

Table 4. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.3.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
EC	100	100

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 1.3.3

The Remediation of Groundwater and Soil Issues.

POL 1.3.3—Soil and Groundwater Remediation

Oil and gas production impacts on groundwater and soils. The Soil and Groundwater Remediation POL was designed to increase the knowledge base on contaminant transport and transformation in soil and groundwater, and determine the degree to which flora and microbial communities can contribute to hydrocarbon degradation. Activities of POL 1.3.3 aim to develop more economic, effective, efficient, and environmentally innocuous remediation technologies with the goal of making them more appealing to site owners than conventional methods. The POL also aims to contribute to the development of standards and regulations for acceptable levels of residual hydrocarbons in soils and groundwater.

Some highlights within this POL include the PERD sponsored project by EC "Standardization and validation of terrestrial toxicity test procedures for assessing biological effects in hydrocarbon contaminated soils". This project will standardize new terrestrial soil toxicity test procedures using species relevant to the Canadian soil systems and field validate the toxicity tests using contaminated soils from facilities that produce natural gas and other alternative hydrocarbon-based fuels. This work directly supports some important programs at EC such as CEPA's Code of Good Environmental Practice for Industrial Site Decommissioning. Building on earlier PERD research that showed that boreal wetlands were capable of naturally fixing and removing hydrocarbon contaminants, EC scientists are studying the ability of wetlands to provide a cost-effective treatment for the waste effluents of gas plants. The project will evaluate the fate of the waste products and their effects on wetlands. Preliminary results from these studies suggest it might be more beneficial to simply monitor and stimulate natural processes. The increased knowledge will also advance the ability of EC to effectively develop its codes of practice and guidelines for the protection of wetlands. Gas-plant site-management strategies have been refined based on evidence of abatement of the plumes where there are natural wetlands on sites. Industry is no longer excavating natural wetlands. Another project entitled "Biological barriers in fractured bedrock" is investigating natural attenuation processes that will limit migration and break down toxic compounds. Through this new process, injection of a carbon source into the contaminated media stimulates the multiplication of indigenous ground water bacteria. In turn, these bacteria form a biobarrier to the movement of toxic compounds. Essentially, the permeability of the media is decreased as the enlarged bacteria concentration ingests and bio-transforms the contaminants. The project is ongoing and the biosafety aspects are yet to be fully evaluated, but it has drawn interest from a wide group of interested parties, and shows a remarkable potential as another tool in the broadening sphere of green technology that strives toward zero impact solutions.

The POL has increased its involvement and partnership with industry and industry groups, such as the Petroleum Technology Alliance of Canada (PTAC) and the Canadian Petroleum Producers of Canada (CAPP) and other industry and university research partners (such as Utah State University, University of North Dakota, l'École Polytechnique de Montréal, and many more). Participating departments include NRCan, NRC, and EC.

The following activities are included under POL 1.3.3:

- Modeling and Monitoring of the Fate and Behaviour of Hydrocarbons in Anaerobic Environments
- Development of Remediation Technologies for Hydrocarbon Contamination in Groundwater and Soil
- Regulatory Development- Supporting Data to Advance the Development of Guidelines and/or Standardized Tests for Regulatory Development.

The POL has maintained international partnerships such as the work done in collaboration with UFZ Germany in support of a Doctoral dissertation research on a toxicity based approach to measure the effectiveness of attenuation mechanisms for the removal of toxic naphthenic acids and precursors in contaminated water and soil samples. The POL has also maintained collaboration with the Energy and Environmental Research Centre at the University of North Dakota and USDOE. The Groundwater Research Program has allowed the POL to contribute internationally in this area.

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 13 individual projects. For 2002-2003, 14 individual projects were in progress. In 2002-2003, POL 1.3.3 was in its third year of a four-year POL Plan. EC is leading 13 of these projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 1.3.3 was $3,229,800, and $4,279,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $891,500 and for 2002-2003, $860,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 5.). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 3.6 and 5.0 for 2002-2003.

Table 5. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.3.3 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
EC	80.9	91.3
NRCan/EC	19.1	8.7

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.3.3

Natural Wetlands - Containment, Transformation and Remediation of Toxic Organics from Natural Gas Condensates and Process Chemicals

Project Manager: John Headley

Project Objectives

This project is a continuation of a previous PERD project on the development of the analytical/toxicity methods for gas plant sludges and contaminated groundwater.

The objectives of this work are to:

- Extend the analytical/toxicity methods developed for gas plant sludges and contaminated groundwater to determine the effectiveness of natural wetlands in attenuating toxic contaminants and their transformation products in gas condensates;
- Evaluate the effects of hydrocarbon impacts on wetlands ecosystems;
- Develop a model to describe the behaviour of natural gas condensate and process chemicals in wetlands for general management and treatment of waste at gas plants.

The research provides science and technology to address crosscutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore oil and gas resources. More specifically, this project addresses Objective 1.3.3 "The remediation of groundwater and soil issues programs" pertaining to sustainable energy sources and containment of toxic substances in the environment in support of Environment Canada's commitment to: (a) sustaining renewable energy resources and (b) developing codes of practice and guidelines for the environmental protection of wetlands. The results directly support the department in filling knowledge gaps on priority substances in the environment, (particularly amines, aquatic ammonia, and PAHs), and expedites the development of guidelines and regulatory standards for these substances.

Methodology

There is substantial evidence that natural wetland systems exposed to gas-condensate and process chemicals have a natural ability to assimilate and in some cases degrade contaminants. New evidence is emerging that DIPA is uptaken primarily in the root zone while sulfolane can translocate to upper portions of cattails (*Typha latifolia*) at wetland sites investigated. For this fiscal year, work has focused on (a) preparation of a report on plant uptake of DIPA and sulfolane in cattails grown in laboratory growth chambers; and (b) initiating experiments to determine the fate and transformation of DIPA and sulfolane in decayed wetlands plants.

In support of the growth chamber studies, it was necessary to refine the analytical methods for the determination of various alkanolamines. An ion exchange electrospray ionization MRM method was used to determine the levels and spatial distribution of DIPA in Typha latifolia. Cattails were grown hydroponically in aqueous solutions containing known concentrations of DIPA for a period of 50 days. At the same time non-exposed cattails were grown and non-planted hydroponic solutions and were run simultaneously as controls. Approximately 1 gram of homogenized plant tissue from various regions of the plants (leaves and roots) was extracted followed by the addition of an internal standard. Ion

exchange chromatography was used for the analysis. Reaction monitoring, using argon as the collision gas, was chosen as the method for quantification. The method provided increased selectivity for all analytes and better sensitivity for 3 of the 6 analytes investigated. Instrumental detection limits ranged from 6 - 300 pg injected for monoethanolamine (MEA), monoisopropanolamine (MIPA), diethanolamine (DEA), methyldiethanolamine (MDEA), diisopropanolamine (DIPA), and triethanolamine (TEA). Method robustness and selectivity was demonstrated by the determination of DIPA and a known transformation product MIPA in over 35 plant extract samples. Results indicate that spatial distribution of DIPA concentrations were highest in the root section with an average of 3.5 times the amount as compared to that of the upper foliar tissues (leaves or shoots).

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

A key step will be to further focus the research on quantifying the uptake of natural wetland plants in the overall attenuation and transformation of process chemicals and gas-condensate hydrocarbons. Likewise, it is necessary to quantify the risk posed to wildlife feeding on the wetlands plants accounting for variables such as: field heterogeneity in the plants, variability in groundwater concentrations and possible bioconcentration in plants. Specifically, the observation of significant uptake of sulfolane by cattails implies that sulfolane contaminated wetland plants may present a potential ecological risk to wetland animals that consume these plants. There is thus a need to more fully address the following data gaps: What is the fate of sulfolane in plant material after the plant die? Is the material recycled within the wetlands? How long does it persist? What are the highest concentrations that could accumulate in plants? Does the sulfolane taken up in plants get passed along through the food chain to other organisms? What are the impacts of environmental variables (ie temperature, water quality, plant species, etc.) on the uptake and accumulation of sulfolane in plants? Filling these knowledge gaps is a prerequisite for completion of a conceptual model describing the overall attenuation of contaminants in natural wetlands.

Outputs for the project are:

- Standard protocol development based on a T.I.E. approach for the quantification of the degree of attenuation of principal toxic which are transformed or remediated in natural wetlands at participating gas plants. Work in collaboration with partners (Deib Birkholz, Envirotest Labs, Steve Goudey, Hydroqual Labs, Karsten Liber, Toxicology Research Group, Jon Gillies, U of S) is progressing well as evidenced by the external peer reviewed papers, published on standard procedures developed for the determination of process chemicals in wetland vegetation.

- Evaluation of attenuation processes to assess the fate and transport of contaminants in natural wetlands at participating gas plants. Collaborative work has continued with partners (University of Utah; Duane Friesen, Malispina University College) and is progressing well as evidenced by external peer reviewed papers, technology transfer at workshops and invited seminars. As part of technology transfer to the oil-and-gas industry, the results obtained for this output were also presented at the PTAC/CAPP Technical Forum, Calgary, Alberta, May 14-16, 2003.

Generation of a model describing the transformation and remediation of toxic contaminants based on measurements of attenuation of principal toxic components in natural wetlands at participating gas plants. As per the Performance Measurement Framework, emphasis

- has been placed on data collection and evaluation. Research is continuing in collaboration with Bill Doucette, Utah State University, to fill key knowledge gaps on risk assessment and quantifying the role of plants in the overall attenuation. Results will be used for the development of the model required for the 3rd output as scheduled. Activity for the latter will be the focus of activity in 2004-06, the wrap up phase of the Project.

NWRI Lead on Energy Research Issues in Western Canada

As a direct result of the expertise acquired in the Project, the Study Leader served as the NWRI Lead on Energy Research Issues in Western Canada; and as External Reviewer for the "Soil and Water Quality Guidelines for sulfolane and diisopropanolamine: environmental and human health" on behalf of CCME. The results of the PERD wetland project are featured in both guidelines, in which there is discussion of the levels of the process chemicals in the Canadian environment near gas plants.

Influence on industry's practices: Gas-plant site-management strategies have been refined based on evidence of abatement of the plumes where there are natural wetlands on sites. Industry is no longer excavating natural wetlands, which is a direct influence and impact of the research results from the POL's Wetlands project.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $276,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 25.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry (Oil & Gas Sponsors Watersearch Corp.), and other such as U of Alberta, U. of Saskatchewan, Utah State University). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.9.

Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Extraction Plants

Project Manager: John Headley

Project Objectives

This project is a continuation of the on-going PERD project on *Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Extraction Plants*

The key objective is to determine the factors controlling the fate and transport of toxic naphthenic acids to soil and groundwater at oil production facilities. In turn, it is anticipated that the results will:

- Form a basis for technology development for improvement of the attenuation of these substances in the subsurface;
- Facilitate microbial degradation in near-surface and aquifer biofilms and;
- Improve our understanding of their reduction in oxygen-limited environments.

The Project provides expertise to PERD in support of Environment Canada's commitment to: (a) sustaining renewable energy resources and (b) developing guidelines and cost-effective methods for remediation of naphthenic acids, in tailings reclamation soils and sediments.

Methodology

Naphthenic acids (NAs) are some of the most toxic poly-cycloalkane carboxylic compounds present in oil sand tailing wastes. During the bitumen extraction process, 1 m^3 of mined oil sands requires 3 m^3 of water, and produces on average 4 m^3 of waste. The tailings slurry wastes are contained in large settling ponds. Syncrude Canada Ltd., the largest single producer of synthetic oil from the oil sands, has in excess of 300 million m^3 of tailings contained in these ponds. It is assumed that there is little or no escape of contained tailings from the basin of ponds to the subsurface.

There are however, major knowledge gaps pertaining to the degradation and removal of toxic naphthenic acids in subsurface environments associated with oil extraction. It is known that complex mixtures of naphthenic acids are pre-disposed to leach to subsurface soils and groundwater and that this transport is mobilized by their high water solubility. This project integrates studies to accelerate the development of an effective and efficient bioremediation process of NAs through:

- The refinement of analytical methods and study of the biodegradation of NAs;
- Gaining insights from understanding the mechanism and transformation of metabolites as microorganisms are exposed to NAs and;
- The development of suitable endpoints to drive bioremediation strategies.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Outputs for the project include:

Refinement of analytical methods for quantification of NAs components to determine their bioavailability in oil sand sediments and reclaimed soils. Steady progress has been made to date as evidenced by the development of initial analytical methods. Research has been initiated to apply recent advances in high field mass spectrometry and 2-D gas chromatography to more fully characterize the complex naphthenic acid mixtures.

- Development of Toxicity Identification and Evaluation (TIE) procedure for fractionation and isolation of oil sands NAs toxic compounds in oil sands sediments and reclamation soils. The TIE collaborative work has commenced in support of a PhD thesis program at the University of Guelph. A specialist in sediment toxicology and TIE will be added to the research team (NWRI) as per the recommendation from the PERD Advisory committee.
- Remediation method for toxic NA compounds in contaminated soils and oil sands tailings. A toxicity based approach to measure the effectiveness of attenuation mechanisms (biodegradation and photodegradation) for removal of toxic naphthenic acids and precursors in contaminated soils and water samples is in progress in collaboration with Dena McMartin, U of S, and Karsten Liber, Toxicology Research Group. The preliminary phase of this work was completed December 2003. Parts of this work were performed in collaboration with UFZ, Germany by Dena McMartin, in support of a PhD thesis research in environmental engineering.

Work is continuing in collaboration with Profs. S.L Barbour, Jon Gillies and Dr. J-L Du, Environmental Engineering Division, U of S to perform laboratory experiments on the persistence of complex naphthenic acid mixtures. Laboratory analyses for this work has been performed by Dr. John Headley at NWRI (Saskatoon) in co-operation with the U of Saskatchewan. As part of new initiative, studies were conducted in partnership with Dr. Hans Peterson to determine the role of phytoremediation as a treatment option for removal of naphthenic acids in contaminated soils/groundwater. The latter was supported in part by the Horizon Youth Program.

As a result of technology transfer arising directly from this project, new partners have joined the research team with funding leveraged from industrial sponsors. The U of R will collaborate on the remediation of naphthenic acid contaminated soils and water; while the MOE and U of Warwick will help develop new analytical tools employing 2-dimensional gas chromatography mass spectrometry and high field accurate mass spectrometry respectively, for the determination of the principal toxic naphthenic acids in aquatic environments. The work this fiscal year has focused on establishing the role of aquatic algae as a treatment option for removal of naphthenic acids in contaminated soils/groundwater. Initial results indicate that algae are capable of inducing composition changes and reduction in concentration of various naphthenic acid mixtures. Research is continuing to expand on preliminary findings to measure the overall reduction in aquatic toxicity associated with the degradation of the naphthenic acids and to elucidate the dependence of changes in toxicity with the structure of the respective naphthenic acid components. The latter is being conducted in collaboration with Dr. Karsten Liber, Toxicology Group, University of Saskatchewan.

As a direct result of expertise acquired in this project, the Study Leader has been invited by the Editorial Board of the Journal of Chromatography to prepare a 3 part- series of papers on naphthenic acids for a special issue, to be published during the summer of 2004.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $154,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 32.0% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry, others such as U. of Saskatchewan). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.1.

Groundwater Research Program (USDOE)

Project Manager: Bill Reynen

Project Objectives

The main objective of this project is to examine the transport and fate of waste streams generated by natural gas processing operations.

This project stems from GRI/DOE Gas Industry Groundwater Program research started in 1996 which focused its efforts on studying waste streams generated by natural gas processing operations. In particular, the program conducted laboratory-based research activities designed to generate fundamental data regarding the chemical nature, and subsurface transport and fate of alkanolamines (used for gas sweetening), glycols (used for gas dehydration), and their associated wastes.

With respect to the POL's involvement, this project studies condensate mobility in soil. The focus on Natural gas condensates and glycol characterization and interaction between chemical, soil, and water as well as natural attenuation.

This project benefits EC since it increases the knowledge base on contaminant transport and transformation in soil and groundwater.

Methodology

Research activities that can be grouped into the following four areas:

- Field-based investigations of subsurface contamination associated with glycol-based natural gas dehydration systems and alkanolamine-based gas sweetening units;
- Laboratory-based investigations of the cosolvent effects of glycols on selected condensate species in a variety of North American soils;
- Laboratory- based evaluations of the biodegradability of glycol-based dehydration wastes, and;
- Computer modeling of subsurface transport and fate of gas-sweetening and dehydration wastes using data generated in the laboratory and the field.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

This project has allowed the POL to contribute internationally in this area. Collaboration with our US counterparts has provided significant leveraging of research resources and funds in this area.

In 2002, column experiments were conducted, biodegradation experiments were completed and lab and field results will be verified and validated with known glycol and condensate contamination.

The EERC was on site at a natural gas processing plant located near Lesser Slave Lake, Alberta, Canada, on June 11th and 12th, 2002 to collect sediment and groundwater samples for BTEX, glycol and microbial analysis. Additional groundwater samples were collected by Matrix Solutions in October, 2002. Data collected is to be used in predictive transport & fate and/or risk-based corrective action (RBCA) and environmentally acceptable endpoint (EAE) models. Models will be expanded for application to the oil & gas industry in Canada.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $1,601,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 3.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (GRI, USDOE). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 32.4.

The Role of Sulfate Reduction in the Bioremediation Technologies for Hydrocarbon Contamination in Groundwater

Project Manager: Dale Van Stempvoort

Project Objectives

This project is coordinated in cooperation with a larger study of monitored natural attenuation, which is being conducted by CORONA (Consortium for Research on Natural Attenuation), lead by University of Alberta and Komex International Ltd. For example, parallel investigations at one site includes sharing of information and mobilization costs. The main objectives of this projects are:

- To investigate the role of sulfate reduction in the natural attenuation of hydrocarbon contaminants in groundwater in Canada under oxygen-limited, low temperature conditions.
- To investigate ways to enhance/stimulate this anaerobic biodegradation process.

This work addresses a main priority area in the PERD groundwater and Soil Remediation POL: Fate, transport, biodegradation and natural attenuation.
This study contributes to the EC Clean Environment Business Line, and more specifically towards the following Results: The environmental and human health threats posed by toxic substances and other substances of concern are prevented or reduced.

Methodology

The field component of the study has included drilling, and sampling of soil and/or groundwater at 3 sites in Alberta, injection of sulfate solutions into wells at 2 of the sites. Chemical analyses of soil and groundwater included a focus on sulfur compounds and hydrocarbons, including stable isotope analyses. Laboratory investigations include microcosm tests with groundwater samples. To determine which microorganisms were abundant/important in hydrocarbon-contaminated zones, DNA was extracted from field and microcosm sediment samples. In 2004/05, drilling at one site will complete the database required for numerical simulation of the plume biodegradation processes. Additional microcosm tests will address remaining knowledge gaps: iron sulfide as a key sink of sulfide produced by sulfate reduction, and whether benzene is biodegraded under sulfate reducing conditions in groundwater at the site.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The anticipated outputs of this project are:

- Improved/validated input data for existing models or new predictive models characterizing the fate and behaviour of hydrocarbons in anaerobic environments.
- Potentially a new technology to enhance remediation of hydrocarbons in groundwater via sulfate reduction.

In 2004/05, comprehensive evaluation of field and laboratory data will include numerical modeling. Reporting will include final report to PERD, and several journal publications.

In 2002/03 and 2003/04, this study showed that sulfate reduction is a key, dominant electron accepting process in hydrocarbon plumes in groundwater at 3 sites in Alberta. The injection tests indicated potential to add sulfate to groundwater as an enhanced in-situ bioremediation technique, and provided key data on in-situ sulfate reduction rates. Initial microbial detections included sulfate and metal-reducing bacteria.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $195,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 41.0% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry (LAOGMT, Conoco, Komex Intl) and others such as NWRI, U. of Calgary, CORONA). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.4.

Remediation of Hydrocarbon-Contaminated Sites by Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA)

Project Manager: Bill Reynen

Project Objectives
The major objective of this study is to better understand how attenuation processes work in different situations to better predict the most suitable areas that lend themselves to this approach in a timely fashion. It could offer an economical alternative to more aggressive interventions. The monitoring aspect of this approach is important to confirm that natural attenuation processes are indeed working, and that contaminant plumes are not threatening nearby landowners or sensitive ecosystems.

Methodology
The second phase of this project, started in 2001, involving detailed assessments at three sites to demonstrate that natural attenuation is occurring. This process includes detailed site characterization, sampling, and biodegradation testing and groundwater monitoring which resulted in the selection of three sites for further studies.

In 2002-03 detailed site characterization was continued at all three research sites. The program focused on well installation for sample collection methodology testing and monitoring variability assessment. Work continued to focus on how sample collection might affect the interpretation of natural attenuation behavior.

Seasonal monitoring was continued (quarterly sampling) to assess possible seasonal influences on data used to support natural attenuation. Groundwater monitoring was conducted on a quarterly basis. Seasonal monitoring was continued (quarterly sampling) to assess possible seasonal influences on data used to support natural attenuation. Groundwater monitoring was conducted on a quarterly basis.

A program was started at University of Alberta to assess how well diffusion-based sampling systems could be used for groundwater monitoring. The ongoing program has involved laboratory trials and one field application.

Technical Steering Committee has been created to work with Alberta Environment to develop recommendations and content of a "Guideline for the Use of Monitored Natural Attenuation at Contaminated Sites in Alberta". The primary focus was to outline a proposed administrative and technical framework for managing contamination at only upstream oil and gas sites such as wellheads or compressor stations. However, the Guideline will also allow for a "generic" evaluation of the applicability of MNA to other contaminated sites or risk management issues. Due to unforeseen difficulties at AENV, the work on the Guidelines was halted. The Committee resumed its work in early 2003. The MNA Guideline document is to be released in 2004.

The purpose of the Guideline is to fit into the framework of several AENV initiatives including the Policy for Management of Risks at Contaminated Sites in Alberta and the 2001 Geo-Environmental Assessment & Remediation of Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Alberta.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The Monitored Natural Attenuation project is on track and is working towards demonstrating environmentally acceptable endpoints by natural attenuation. Modeling data to characterize the fate and behaviour of hydrocarbons in aerobic environments is being gathered and compiled. Field trials of BART™ kits are progressing while work is underway to modify and improve the site characterization tools.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $212,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 16.5% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (Industry (CAPP, Conoco, Devon, Komex) and others such as COURSE, NSERC). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 6.1.

Assessment of Phytoremediation as an In-Situ Technique for Cleaning Oil Contaminated Sites.

Project Managers: Dr. Terry McIntyre (In collaboration with Dr. Jim Germida-University of Saskatchewan, Dr. Xiamon Lei-Alberta Research Council, Drs. Peter Kulaiko / Steven Rock / USEPA

Project Objectives

This project is a continuation of a smaller PERD project launched with funds levered from the Canadian Biotechnology Strategy in 2001-2002.

This project was intended to explore the utility of plant based remediation of sites impacted by total petroleum hydrocarbons and under presented prairie ecozone conditions (and as an adjunct to an ongoing US EPA remediation technology demonstration forum involving 11 other sites across United States and Alaska-all utilizing the same protocols.

This research provides PERD PTAC with a database of plants found to tolerate and remediate TPH's in Prairie Ecozones, protocols on how to employ plants for these purposes, access to comparable ecozone sites from across US, and a basis for site owners and managers alike to utilize *in situ* , solar driven, low cost plant based remediation and restoration tools.

Where appropriate, EC and other scientists with an interest in phytoremediation can now extrapolate from Prairie ecozone conditions and explore basic research on how plants could be used at comparable petroleum impacted sites across Canada. EC has also benefited from considerable empirical data from the University of Saskatchewan and Alberta Research Council scientists to help better clarify / resolve regulatory, scientific, technical, policy, biosafety, and biodiversity issues likely to be raised by large scale.

Methodology

There have so far been 55 species identified as potential phytoremediator plants, able to survive western Canadian climatic conditions. These include 38 native species and 17 introduced species. Based on preliminary screening in clean and contaminated soils, the number of candidate plants was reduced to 11 cold-tolerant perennials. Preliminary analysis demonstrates that varying levels of microbial populations occur between the subplots, reflecting the effects of spatial variability of contaminant concentration. Molecular and culture techniques indicated that the populations of total heterotrophic bacteria and hydrocarbon-degrading bacteria varied from soil to soil depending on contaminant levels. Similar differences were noted for communities associated with roots of different plants growing in contaminated soils. Soils collected from the field sites are being used for further studies and to help select species to be included in the local plant mix at the two sites. These studies will continue for at least three years.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- A report has been prepared on the feasibility of the technology as well as the plant species suitable for this application.

An inventory of candidate plant species has been developed that could be employed for remediation and restoration of sites contaminated with TPH's

- in Western Provinces (currently being translated into French and available June 2003).
- Data have been generated on the potential for using compost as a carrier for hydrocarbon degrading bacteria.
- An improved understanding has been attained of the root exudate production of native plants utilized or that could be utilized in PHC remediation.
- Research is constantly improving on the evaluation of the effectiveness of phytoremediation in reducing hydrocarbon (TPH and BTEX) concentrations in soils contaminated with historical or weathered compounds.
- A protocol has been completed for the fractionating of different compound classes from aqueous extract of the root exudates and concentrating and derivatizing them for GC analysis.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $240,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 47.9% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry (PTAC, Federal Pioneer) and others such as NSERC, Saskatchewan Environment, USEPA). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.1.

Biological Barriers in Fractured Bedrock

Project Manager: Nathalie Ross and Suzanne Lesage

Project Objectives

This project was initiated following work conducted at *École Polytechnique de Montréal* between 1994 and 1999. It led to a second PERD project: "Attenuation of an Ethanol/BTEX Plume in Fractured Bedrock Model Undergoing Biostimulation". The collaboration between NWRI and Queen's University, on developing the biobarrier concept at field scale and modeling the effects of a biofilm in a fractured media, is planned to continue with the participation of industrial partners.

The development of a biobarrier in a fractured rock aquifer increased the scientific knowledge for an integrated groundwater management framework. This biobarrier concept represents an innovative method to improve bioremediation and to allow other natural attenuation processes to occur. The laboratory experiments allowed to analyze the change in microbial diversity, to measure ecotoxicological responses, and to observe the development of the biofilm in a single fracture.

The project's main objective was aimed at reducing permeability and preventing migration of contaminants in a fractured media, by injecting a carbon source to stimulate the groundwater bacteria. The specific objectives of the project are related to hydrogeological and physicochemical aspects, and environmental biosafety:

- to design an installation consisting of a well for the delivery of nutrients and a network of monitoring wells to evaluate the formation of the biobarrier;
- to monitor the changes in physicochemical conditions due to the bioclogging;
- to evaluate the effects of the biostimulation on the ecosystem, especially with respect to ecotoxicity and microbial diversity.

This project benefits EC by addressing the mandate on "Clean Environment". It contributes to the NWRI's role by generating and disseminating scientific knowledge needed to resolve environmental issues of regional, national, or international significance to Canada. The biotechnological aspects might benefit the New Substances Program specifically in providing data for the New Substances Notification Regulations.

Methodology

The following methodology refers to outputs 1 through 4.

- Output 1: Under constant groundwater flow and carbon source injection, the bioclogging of single fracture models was monitored by measuring biofilm development and analyzing effluent components. The possibility of using the biobarrier technique as a containment barrier (significant reduction of permeability) and/or reactive wall (significant reduction of contaminant concentration) will be determined.

- Output 2: The assessment of the biosafety of biostimulating indigenous bacteria was conducted at laboratory scale and field scale. A glass-fracture table was used to determine the most relevant monitoring tools for the field (Mississauga, Ontario). In

- addition, a battery of biomolecular analyses and biotests were used to monitor microbial changes and ecotoxicological responses at Mississauga site.

- Output 3: The field trial, conducted in a horizontal fracture in limestone shale was planned to determine: 1- technical feasibility of the biobarrier concept, 2- design parameters for a full size field scale, and 3- how "green" the concept is. The duration of the work was 3 years; the first year being used for field setup (ex. drilling of new boreholes, pumping tests, etc.). The experiment consisted of supplying carbon source and measuring the extent of bioclogging. One major concern was to evaluate the longevity of the biobarrier. The aspect of longevity is crucial for the acceptability of this "green" technology.

- Output 4: The modeling was part of laboratory experiments as well as the field trial. Mathematical models were developed specifically for bacterial transport and biofilm development in fractured media. Fractured rocks remain an unexplored media for modeling bacterial development.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story
Outputs for this project include:

- Output 1: Knowledge on the possibility of enhancing natural attenuation using natural adjuvants;

- Output 2: Evaluation of the bacterial community and the ecotoxicology of the method using biomolecular techniques (this partially addresses the environmental endpoint priority);

- Output 3: Field trial of an innovative "green" technology of containment;

- Output 4: Experimental results supported by modeling.

Highlights of this new process in bioremediation include the following:

- The field trial showed a reduction in hydraulic conductivity by as much as 4 to 5 orders of magnitude. The stability of the biobarrier was tested under starvation conditions. After more than 8 weeks of monitoring, results show no change in the bioclogging. To our knowledge, this demonstration is the first attempt to develop a biobarrier in a fractured rock environment.

- Laboratory observations, field results, and modeling activities confirmed that the decline in groundwater velocity was positively correlated to the biofilm development; a vital requirement for a field demonstration of the biobarrier concept.

- The field-scale assessment corroborated that flow through conditions do not bring ecotoxicity although bacterial activities generate soluble microbial products.

- The results from the biofilm experiments have been used to validate this model and to assign average mass transport parameters to the biofilm.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $370,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 21.6% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry (Petro Canada) and others such as l'École Polytechnique). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 4.6.

Solar Detoxification of Groundwater

Project Manager: Carl Brown

Project Objectives

This is a new project in the current POL plan. "Solar Detoxification of Groundwater" provides new technology (solar energy based) for the remediation of groundwater contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons.

This innovative remediation technology benefits EC in several ways. It could treat substances on the CEPA Toxic and Priority Substance List. In addition, the solar detoxification process offers the potential for significant energy savings in the treatment of groundwater. This new technology may contribute to the reduction of the environmental footprint and at the same time demonstrate an innovative approach in alternate energy source application.

Methodology

Organic contaminants such as benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene (BTEX) represent a common problem found in industry. A number of technologies have been developed and demonstrated for the treatment of contaminated groundwater. These technologies include advanced oxidation process (AOP), steam stripping, air stripping and monitored natural attenuation. Each technology has its own set of advantages and limitations.
Recently a solar-based AOP technology was developed by a group of Canadian researchers. A range of organic compounds, for example, BTEX, NDMA, vinyl chloride, trichloroethylene, dichloromethane, dichloroethane and, trichloroethane could be treated by this technology.

Conventional AOP typically uses ultraviolet (UV) light and an oxidant (H_2O_2 or ozone) for the degradation of organic compounds in water. The UV light causes photolysis of the oxidant which creates hydroxyl radicals. These hydroxyl radicals, being highly reactive, will then breakdown the organic compounds in water. The use of UV light is the most effective radiation source for this process because the oxidant absorbs radiation most efficiently in the UV range of 200-300 nm. However, the UV lamps can be expensive to purchase and maintain. Solar energy would appear to be a viable alternative but very little solar spectrum falls in the UV range due to atmospheric absorption.
Since hydrogen peroxide and ozone do not absorb significantly beyond 300 nm the solar source is not suitable for these absorbers. An alternative for this is the injection of ferrioxalate that absorbs in the region of 250-480 nm (Bolton & Cater, 1996). Photolysis of ferrioxlate generates iron(II) which then reacts with hydrogen peroxide to produce hydroxyl radical. As in conventional AOP, hydroxyl radicals then degrade organic contaminants in the treated medium. As hydroxyl radicals are generated, iron (II) is oxidized to iron(III). Iron (III) chelates and acts as a catalyst to continue the generation of iron (II) under irradiation. Previous research had demonstrated that photolysis of the ferrioxalate in the presence of hydrogen peroxide provides a continuous source of radicals. When conditions are correct, iron (III) chelates act as a catalyst in this process.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Bench-scale test completed with excellent contaminant destruction results.
Field-scale equipment designed, assembled and tested.

Field-scale system tested and demonstrated excellent contaminant destruction results. Performance prediction model developed.

Currently, a technology deployment design guide is being developed. A system performance prediction model is being linked to available local weather data. A brief technology assessment is being conducted to identify potential areas for technology implementation.

Research was conducted to develop this technology further through bench-scale and field-scale work. Bench-scale test results showed excellent destruction of BTEX, MTBE and MMT contaminants. This is consistent with our earlier experience in BTEX and MTBE destruction using conventional AOP systems. A site was selected in British Columbia to conduct the field demonstration. A suitable field scale system was procured and assembled. Test equipment operated well in the field and system components performance met expectations.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $112,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 55.6% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.8.

In-Situ Soil Flushing for the Remediation of Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soil

Project Manager: Carl Brown

Project Objectives

The primary objective of this project is to develop an enhanced *in-situ* soil flushing process for the simultaneous removal of organic contaminants and heavy metals. Sites with mixed contamination represent a significant number of contaminated sites and are often associated with fuel processing (refineries) and power generation (thermal power plants) activities. *In-situ* flushing involves the removal of contaminants from soil, sediment or groundwater by pumping water or chemicals (cleaning solution) into the contaminated area through injection wells. The process works *in-situ*, which means that the polluted soil is cleaned up in place and does not need to be excavated.

This project benefits EC since it aims to develop a more economic, effective, efficient, and environmentally innocuous remediation technology. As cleaning medium it uses a water-soluble derivate from by-products of pulp and paper industry, thus reusing a potential polluting product to clean contaminants from soil. This technology treats substances on the CEPA Toxic and Priority Substance List. This new technology may also contribute to the reduction of the environmental footprint and at the same time demonstrate an innovative approach in alternate energy source application.

Methodology

In this project, the active components of the cleaning solution are water-soluble derivatives of natural biopolymers such as lignin derivatives (by-products of pulp and paper industry). Lignin derivatives will both bind heavy metals into macromolecular complexes and significantly increase the solubility of many organic contaminants such as hydrocarbons and solvents. Because of this dual action, both the organic and inorganic contaminants will be mobilized and can easily be removed from the soil.

A series of bench-scale experiments were carried out by SAIC Canada using actual soil samples obtained from a site in Calgary, Alberta. After initial preparation procedure (drying and removal of oversized fractions) the samples were subjected to column leaching to simulate the in-situ flushing process. Lignosulfonates (LS), by-products of pulp and paper industry, were obtained from Tembec Sivichemicals Group of Tembec Canada. LS, which reportedly possess properties of surfactants, were added to leaching solutions to enhance the removal of hydrocarbons.

The leachate generated in the tests was collected and treated using membrane filtration. It was found to be effective for the leachate regeneration, to reduce the volume of the liquid waste (leachate) and recover water for re-use.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Bench scale testing is now completed. A work plan is now being developed to include a testing plan, a sampling plan, a health and safety plan and other relevant components that are required for the testing underway. The design and manufacture of a pilot-scale test system based on the results of the bench-scale tests carried out in 2002-2003 is scheduled to begin.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $87,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 68.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.5.

Attenuation of an Ethanol/BTEX Plume in Fractured Bedrock Model Undergoing Biostimulation

Project Manager: Nathalie Ross

Project Objectives

This project stemmed from the PERD project "Biological Barriers in Fractured Bedrock". It focused on the effects of a potential groundwater pollutant, namely gasohol, on the biobarrier concept. The addition of ethanol in gasoline as an oxygenate is increasing in North America, and its effects on bioattenuation processes in groundwater had to be addressed. This project is part of the development of a biological barrier concept in fractured rock, involving partners from the NWRI (on fractured rock hydrology), Queen's University (on modeling), École Polytechnique de Montréal (on technology development), and University of Waterloo (on biodegradation and fate of gasohol).

This project is directly linked to PERD considerations on three specific aspects. First, the project will increase the knowledge on hydrocarbon interactions/fate/behaviour in groundwater flowing in fractured bedrock. Second, the biobarrier application will contribute to improve bioremediation technologies. Third, the biosafety assessment will contribute to the development of standardized toxicity tests. Considering that addition of ethanol in Canada is increasing, the question of groundwater remediation techniques meets also all Canadian citizen considerations.

This project benefits EC by addressing the mandate on "Clean Environment". It contributes to the NWRI's role by generating and disseminating scientific knowledge needed to resolve environmental issues of regional, national or international significance to Canada. The biotechnological aspects might benefit the New Substances Program specifically in providing data for the New Substances Notification Regulations.

Methodology

Validated input data will be obtained by conducting static tests (a series of microcosms), comparing the biodegradability of several ethanol-BTEX mixtures (varying from 1 to 10 %) by different groundwater microbial consortia. The effects of the biostimulation parameters (ex. nutrients) will also be measured. A statistical design will be applied to differentiate the significant factors. A Master's degree student from University of Waterloo will achieve the laboratory work conducted in a controlled temperature room (10 °C), located at NWRI.

Following the development of a biobarrier, an ethanol-BTEX plume will be injected in a glass fracture table (2.0 × 0.6 m, fracture = 1.5 mm) simulating a fracture plane intersected by a borehole. The capacity of the biobarrier to contain/degrade/resist to the plume will be measured by conducting tracer tests, monitoring contaminant concentrations, and analyzing biofilm constituents (exopolymeric substances, bacteria). To monitor the stability over time, the biobarrier will be maintained for a period varying from six months to one year. The experiments will be conducted in a controlled temperature room (10 °C), located at NWRI.

The evaluation of a battery of bioassays and molecular tools to monitor the changes in the environment will consist in screening a variety of bioassays and biomolecular analyses to propose a battery for the assessment of biobarrier safety. Regarding the bioassays, the approach will be to include well known tests, such as Microtox, and relevant organisms, such as wetland organisms, for groundwater assessment. Likewise, widely used biomolecular analyses, such as DGGE, and innovative methods, such as microarrays, will be screened.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Goals were set which resulted in the following outputs:

- Output 1: Validated input data for predictive models on biodegradation of ethanol-BTEX mixtures by groundwater micro-organisms (pertinent to bioattenuation modeling) (March 2003). Preliminary results from this experiment suggest a significant lag period for ethanol-BTEX biodegradation partially due to the presence of nutrients for biofilm growth;

- Output 2: Trial at a large scale laboratory of a "green" technology to bioattenuate an ethanol-BTEX plume (results available March 2004). A biofilm developed via biostimulation was tested at laboratory-scale to measure the effects of a BTEX/ethanol-contaminated groundwater plume on a mature biofilm and to assess the biodegradation/containment of these chemicals by the biofilm. A visible biofilm developed around the nutrient injection port after 32 days of biostimulation then reached maturity after 60 days;

- Output 3: Evaluation of a battery of bioassays and molecular tools to monitor the changes in the environment (important to meet new CEPA Regulations). This phase is ongoing.

This project is documenting the development of the biobarrier concept applied to fractured rock. Focusing on the effects of a gasohol plume, the results will help designing the application at full-scale. Preliminary results suggest a significant lag period for ethanol-BTEX biodegradation partially due to the presence of nutrients for biofilm growth. The confirmation of this hypothesis will be crucial for the design of biobarrier in contaminated environments. Fracture inflow and outflow samples revealed that ethanol and BTEX losses were low and could possibly be explained by adsorption to the biofilm. Further experiments are required to confirm the use of the biobarrier as a cut-off wall over its use as a bioreactive wall in fractured media.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $260,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 32.7% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others such as U. of Waterloo). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.1.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

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Standardization and Validation of Terrestrial Toxicity Test Procedures

Standardization and Validation of Terrestrial Toxicity Test Procedures for Assessing Biological Effects in Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soils

Project Manager: Rick Scroggins

Project Objectives

The main objective of this project is to standardize new terrestrial soil toxicity test procedures using species relevant to the Canadian soil systems and field validate the toxicity tests using contaminated soils from facilities that produce natural gas and other alternative hydrocarbon-based fuels. This work directly supports some important programs at EC such as CEPA's Code of Good Environmental Practice for Industrial Site Decommissioning.

Methodology

In March 1995, Bonnell Environmental Consulting Ltd. completed a review of approximately 100 plants and soil-dwelling invertebrate species for relevance to Canadian soil systems and suitability as laboratory soil toxicity testing species. A short-list of species was recommended for the method development phase of the program. In the spring of 1995, a toxicology research team at the University of Guelph started a method development and refinement project directed at the four most suitable soil toxicity test procedures. This research included the testing of 33 terrestrial plants, 3 earthworms and 1 soil arthropod species. From May 1995 to July 1999, method research was conducted which resulted in the development of three test methodologies for assessing the toxicity of contaminated soil on earthworms, plants and a soil invertebrate using species important to healthy Canadian soil systems.

Since the completion of the principal method development phase, the newly developed soil toxicity tests have been further refined (eg: re-evaluation of the proposed test method validity criteria, testing alternative reference toxicants for quality assurance purposes and fine-tuning the recommended statistical guidance). The University of Guelph team will have completed this method refinement research before the end of the 2002/2003 fiscal year. Also, the first stage of method validation where the toxicity of different hydrocarbon mixtures in various agricultural and forest reference soils has been nearly completed by the University of Guelph. These reference soils are reflective of the general categories of Western Canadian soils.

As a parallel activity to the method refinement and validation efforts, two method writers have been contracted to prepare the standardized national test method documents for each of the new soil toxicity procedures. Dr. Don McLeay of McLeay Environmental Ltd. has been contracted to write the earthworm method while the terrestrial plant and soil arthropod methods are being prepared by Ms. Jennifer Miller of Miller Environmental Sciences Inc. Ms. Gladys Stephenson of the University of Guelph is acting as technical adviser to both method writers. To address key comments received from some expert reviewers, additional focused research has been commissioned to address uncertainties in the earthworm, terrestrial plant and collembolan soil arthropod methods at ESG/Stantec, École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), and the ETC soil toxicology laboratories.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Inter-laboratory method validation testing is currently underway and involves 13 Canadian toxicology laboratories. The third phase of the earthworm method will be initiated in early February with plant test method round-robin testing scheduled for late February and March. A final draft version of each test method is required before the within-laboratory and between-laboratory variability can be quantified. Given the difficulties identified with one of the two species of choices of soil arthropods and further method development recommendations from the EC soil toxicology workshop held in February 2003 in Vancouver, the EPFL laboratory in Lausanne was contracted in July 2003 to conduct further method development research focused on: 1) soil pH measurement; 2) standard soil water measurement; and 3) the need to investigate the possibility of an alternative test species of the soil arthropod (specifically, *Folsomia fimetaria).* Research to address the first two issued stated above have been completed and the third activity is underway.

The main achievement for this project is the publication of three standardized toxicity test method documents as part of Environment Canada's biological test method series. These include:

- Test for toxicity to earthworms exposed to contaminants in soil
- Test for measuring seedling emergence and growth to terrestrial plants exposed to contaminants in soil
- Test for measuring survival and reproductive effects to collembolan in soil

The realistic completion date for English versions of the earthworm and terrestrial plant methods is April 2004, given the time needed for the formal editing process and completion of the various inter-laboratory round robin studies. Given the schedule for inter-laboratory testing for the soil arthropod method, a more realistic date for the English version of the formal test method is October 2004.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $99,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 74.9% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, CAPP). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.3.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Oil and Gas Sector

Remediation, Groundwater and Soil Issues

Oil Sands Contaminants

Assessment of Natural and Anthropogenic Impacts of Oil Sands Contaminants within the Northern River Basin

Project Manager: Kevin Cash and Joseph Culp

Project Objectives

This completed project stemmed from the Northern Rivers Basin (NRBS) Study and was related to the EC's large Ecosystem Initiative, the Northern Rivers Ecosystem Initiative (NREI). The objectives of this project included:

- Addressing the NRBS Board recommendations to Ministers regarding oil sands contaminant fate, distribution and impacts in the northern basins area;
- Providing an improved understanding of the nature and extent of natural hydrocarbon releases to the environment within the oil sands region of northern Alberta;
- Distinguishing between effects related to natural versus anthropogenic releases of oil sands contaminants to the environment;
- Developing and field validating ecological tests that provide early warning of the impacts of oil sands-related contaminants on biota;
- Evaluating these and other currently available tests for inclusion in an environmental effects monitoring program for the oil sands industry.

This project benefited EC since it addressed major research recommendations contained in the Minister's response to the NRBS. This project assessed and predicted potential impacts of hydrocarbon activities occurring in the Alberta oil sands area and distinguished these impacts from those produced by naturally occurring hydrocarbon deposits and releases.

Methodology

To evaluate the impacts of hydrocarbon activities and those produced by naturally occurring hydrocarbon, the following steps were studies were undertaken:

- Chemistry and ecotoxicology of organic compounds in bitumen froth relating to long-range transfer in oils sands operations.
- Identification and characterization of natural hydrocarbon release from oil sands deposits in the northern river basins area.
- Long-range transport of hydrocarbons to the northern deltas and lakes: pathways and fate.
- Ecological effects of natural releases of oil sands contaminants on benthic macroinvertebrates.

Fish health effects from oil sands wastewater discharges and naturally-occurring oil sands compounds in the Athabasca river system.

- The ecological viability of constructed wetlands at suncor: population and health-related considerations in birds.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The project now completed included the following significant findings:

- EROD activity in rat livers exposed to bitumen froth was low compared to that measured in benzo[a]pyrene (BaP). The maximum likely concentration of representative polycyclic aromatic compounds in receiving waters in the event of a spill of bitumen froth was also calculated to be low (i.e. $< 20\ \mu g/L$).

- Studies confirmed that the tributaries passing through the Fort McMurray oil sands regions contain significant levels of naturally derived hydrocarbons, likely derived from natural oil- seeps in the regions. Once the tributaries converge with the mainstem rivers concentrations rapidly fall to values ($< 0.01\ \mu g/g$) typical of remote pristine areas.

- Sediments in the Athabasca River, its tributaries, downstream deltas and western Lake Athabasca do indicate the presence of petrogenic PAHs. However, there is no evidence of impacts from the oil sands operations on hydrocarbon distributions and sediment toxicity.

- Evidence suggests that exposure to naturally-occurring PAHs, as a result from exposed oil sands deposits, may have a slight to moderate detrimental effect on benthic invertebrates as revealed by reduced density and community composition in field samples and reduced survival and growth in laboratory toxicity tests. However, the observed patterns do not suggest a major negative impact of exposure on these invertebrates to naturally-occurring oil sands materials.

- There do appear to be differences in the fish reproductive indicators (decreased sex steroid production by testes and ovaries of slimy sculpin) of oil sands exposed fish from the Steepbank River in the vicinity of anthropogenic disturbance. As well, metabolic bioindicators (MFO) in slimy sculpin showed differences between oil sands and reference sites. SPMDs showed presence of MFO-inducers in the Athabasca River, as well as potent inducers in the oil sands refinery wastewater discharge. Additional studies are required to assess the full impact of these impacts.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $158,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 51.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry and in-kind). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.0.

Land Farming of Bioremediated Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soils/Wastes

Project manager: Terry McIntyre

Project Objectives

The overall goal of this project is to establish a new site using bioremediated hydrocarbon contaminated soils to develop a best management practice for handling bioremediated hydrocarbon contaminated soils.

EC will benefit from this research since environmental assessments associated with land application of bioremediated hydrocarbon contaminated soils can be completed and the information generated through this study will define a realistic endpoint for bioremediation of hydrocarbon contaminated soils/wastes.

Methodology

This project will select the best crop coverage on soils with hydrocarbon residues based on the crop yield and its impacts on hydrocarbon residues; collect surface runoff from new established research plots and determine their toxicities using a simple bioassay. In addition we will assess the movement of hydrocarbon residues to ground water by flooding existing site.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

From this research, there is now a more complete understanding of the role of land farming as a remediation technology or option for the Canadian petroleum and gas industry. Sufficient empirical data has been collected to establish both a realistic endpoint for bioremediation of hydrocarbon contaminated soils / wastes and to recommend a sound-crop management practice for land owners employing land farming as a remediation option of choice.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $43,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 65.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.5.

Toxicity Workshop

Project Manager: Rick Scroggins

Project Objectives

In February 2003, Environment Canada hosted a 3-day workshop on the toxicological assessment of Canadian soils and development of standardized test methods. The workshop was held at Pacific Environmental Sciences Centre in North Vancouver. Forty experts from Europe, the United States and Canada participated in the workshop. The assembled expertise covered soil toxicology, microbiology, soil chemistry, earth sciences, soil ecology, plant physiology, risk assessment, regulation of contaminated lands, and contaminant interactions in soil.

The main objective of the workshop was the identification of priorities for method development, validation and standardization that will lead to a second generation of soil toxicity test methods for assessing the effects of contaminated soils. Another objective was to provide concrete recommendations on how to test non-agricultural soils as part of a laboratory test methodology (i.e., testing soils representative of boreal and carolinian forests, wetlands, Muskeg, northern areas such as taiga or tundra and other wild lands).

Three main work groups were formed for the purpose of discussion. Working Group 1 dealt with "Alternative species and procedural modifications of existing terrestrial toxicity test methods, Working Group 2 dealt with "Laboratory functional assays and exposure systems for site soil assessment, and Working Group 3 discussed "Physicial or biological factors influencing the results of soil toxicity tests".

The principal subject addressed by Working Group 1 was possible modifications to existing Environment Canada and international soil test methods as well as the potential for using alternative species in amended versions of these methods. The working group discussed many issues including the use of soil amendments, use of reference soils from non-agricultural habitats, choice of reference toxicant, test design, addition of food during tests, standardized procedures for pH measurement, and standard approaches for determining soil moisture. Working group members agreed that each of the above issues should be clearly addressed in any standardized soil toxicity test method and that further research would be needed to resolve some of these issues.

Participants of Working Group 2 defined functional assays as assays that assess the direct and indirect effects of contaminants to biologically-mediated processes in soil. participants of Working Group 2 agreed that functional assays should be part of the test battery used to develop soil quality criteria because they a) reduce false positives, b) enhance communication with stakeholders and c) increase the reliability of expert judgments. However, functional assays should be used in conjunction with single species assays and not be used as a stand-alone test. As part of the development of standardized functional assays, the participants agreed that standardized microcosm test methodologies based on published methods need to be further developed and evaluated in a regulatory context.

The objectives of Working Group 3 included critical evaluation of strengths and limitations of current and potentially promising approaches used in laboratory-based ecotoxicity testing to assess the state of soil ecosystems at contaminated field sites. The discussion topics focused on issues related to the effects of soil properties on soil biota responses to contamination, possible approaches to account for variability across extremes in chemical and physical soil properties, developing guidance on experimental design for assessing toxicity of contaminated field soils, review of the emerging approaches for soil ecotoxicity evaluation, and relevance of ecotoxicity test methods for risk management/policy decisions. Working Group 3 generally agreed that experimental design of exposure conditions for test species should most closely approximate bioavailability of a contaminant or mixture of contaminants in the site's soil. For that reason, the group recommended that highest priority should be given to the use of pre-existing contaminant concentration gradients from the site to investigate concentration-response relationship. The serial soil dilution approach may be used when reference material of the same soil type and horizon is available.

Further details on the Vancouver workshop discussions will be provided through a series of presentations proposed for the SETAC session on "Assessing Contaminated Site Soils" during the 24th Annual North American SETAC Meeting in Austin, Texas.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $42,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 47.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.1.

Strategic Intent 2—Transportation Sector

Strategic Intent 2 is to foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Intent 2 · Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1 is to provide S&T to reduce emissions from transportation sources to improve air quality and health and reduce GHG production.

Strategic Intent 2 · Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 2.1.1

Support for the Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matter.

POL 2.1.1—Air Quality- Particles Research
Air quality, especially for city dwellers, is an ongoing, high profile area of environmental concern. The outcome of research in this area is ultimately to bring a reduction in the amount of PM (particulate matter) released from transportation sources and result in better health for millions of Canadians. The goal of the Particles POL 2.1.1 is to provide knowledge and tools that will support the development of technological and other measures to control and reduce emissions of particulate matter from transportation sources. POL 2.1.1 is a coordinated group of research activities that deal with the improvement and understanding of particulate matter formed as a result of transportation. The research is focused on how the particles and their precursors are transformed and transported in the atmosphere, and how transportation-related particles affect public health.

Issues surrounding PM are being investigated by several projects such as one EC PERD sponsored project which aims at improve sampling methods, chemical analysis techniques, and to assemble a workable data baseline. Follow-up work extends the research by more fully characterizing the particles emitted and by filling data gaps, in an effort to palliate to our incomplete knowledge of the influences of changing technology, fuels, and transportation policies on PM emissions. This EC project will also study the emission rates of elemental carbon from light duty vehicles, a source of PM which has not been extensively studied that can be important in areas where the diesel fleet is small. A project led by NRC involves the LII or Laser-Induced Incandescence for online exhaust PM monitoring: new application; measure aggregate particle size and individual particle size- has been commercialized by Artium Technologies Inc.

Projects such as this one have drawn the support of numerous federal departments and agencies, of the Toxic Substance Research Initiative, and of industry. The outcome of these efforts should bring a reduction in the amount of PM released from transportation sources and result in better health for millions of Canadians, from improved air quality. A critical milestone was achieved in the Health Effects activity by Health Canada with the near completion of a survey that will serve as the basis of future work linking chronic exposure to atmospheric pollutants to health impact.

The following activities are included under POL 2.1.1:

- Emissions- Develop technology to measure and control the formation and emission of particles and their precursors by transportation-related combustion sources
- Ambient Air- Develop measurement and modeling techniques and systems for atmospheric particles and their precursors produced by transportation-related combustion sources
- Health Effects- Examine acute and chronic cardio-respiratory effects on humans of particles produced by transportation-related combustion sources

International collaboration is also an important part of this POL, as the LII group (Laser-Induced Incandescence technology, a project in the Emissions activity) at NRC participates in the Particulate Matter Collaboratory as an international effort with Sandia National Laboratories and Artium Technologies. Negotiations for a Trilateral Energy Cooperation Agreement in Science and Technology and identified particulate measurement research as an area for collaboration between Canada, U.S. and Mexico

Projects in this POL have drawn support of numerous federal departments and agencies, such as NRCan, EC, HC, NRC, DND, NRCC of the Toxic Substance Research Initiative, as well as cooperative funding from industry.

For 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 , the POL plan included 7 individual projects. In 2002-2003, POL 2.1.1 was in its third year of the established POL Plan. EC was leading 2 of these projects, both in the Emissions Activity .

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 2.1.1 was $2,418,000 and $2,444,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $715,00 and for 2002-2003, $759,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 6). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 3.4 and 3.2 for 2002-2003.

Table 6. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.1.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
EC	51.6	39.4
NRC	27.8	32.4
HC	11.6	14.2
DND	9.0	8.4
Management EC	—	5.5

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.1.1

Characterization of Particles and Precursors in Emissions

Project Manager: Lisa Graham

Project Objectives

This project is part of the Emissions Characterization activity within POL 2.1.1 which involves three departments. The emissions characterization research will contribute to improvement of air quality models by addressing knowledge gaps and providing data for model development and evaluation. Of particular interest are the characteristics (mass, size distribution and chemical composition) of primary particle emissions, chemical speciation profiles for gaseous emissions and a better understanding of the chemistry and physics of aerosol formation. This work falls within the PERD objective to develop technology and other means in order to control and reduce emissions of particulate matter.

This project will benefit EC in addressing the inadequacies in vehicle emissions profiles; this knowledge gap make it difficult to assess proposed vehicle technology or fuel formulation changes. This can be seen in the recent assessment by the CCME Task Force on Cleaner Vehicles and Fuels of the impacts and benefits of reducing sulphur in gasoline. The lack of representative emissions profiles results in uncertainties that hamper decisions and, in the long-term, will hinder Canada's progress toward a sustainable energy future.

Methodology

To carry out emissions measurements, the following data is gathered:

- Physical characterization of size distributions and number concentrations of particles emitted from traditional, new technology and alternative fuelled vehicles;
- Chemical characterization of particles and gaseous precursors;
- Investigation of transportation tracers for analysis of ambient particles and to support model development;
- Measurement of the effect of sulphur levels on ammonia emissions; and
- Investigation of the contribution of lubrication oils to particulate matter.

The emissions measurement activities make use of the suite of analytical tools developed by NRCan-CETC and EC-AAQD for the current PERD program. This work will be carried out by staff of the Environmental Technology Centre of EC.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Goals set for this project include the development of technology to measure and control the formation and emission of fine particles and their precursors by transportation-related combustion sources, specifically by sampling and analytical techniques for fine particles and their precursors in exhaust of representative vehicle classes. The emissions data gathered in this project is being applied to improve modelling of particle chemistry and physics. There has been close collaboration with model developers that is influencing the development of aerosols module.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $379,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 44.9% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others, plus $6,000 from U. of British Columbia). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.2.

Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air

Project Manager: Jeff Brook

Project Objectives

This project is part of the Ambient Air activity. The overall goal of the ambient air particle characterization project is to gain new insights into the transport, transformation and fate of ambient fine particles and their precursors, particularly those produced by emissions from the transportation sector. The project will build upon previous work on characterizing vehicle emissions and developing improved analytical and ambient sampling methods, coupling these with improved data analysis techniques to:

- improve understanding of the influences of transportation sources on the concentrations of $PM_{2.5}$ and related gaseous constituents in, and downwind of, major Canadian cities; and
- provide improved data for the development and evaluation of air quality models used to predict ambient particles concentrations.

This work falls within the PERD objective to develop technology and other means in order to control and reduce emissions of particulate matter.

This project will benefit EC by increasing the knowledge base of ambient fine particles and precursors which will strengthen scientific support to policy and regulatory development and ultimately give cleaner air and reduced health effects due to decreases in Emissions of primary particles and gaseous precursors from transportation-related combustion sources.

Methodology

The project will participate in a major field campaign (Pacific 2001) in order to evaluate and refine the sampling, analytical and data analysis methods under development. Field data collected in this project will be applied to produce direct estimates of the role of transportation and to determine the nature and source of carbonaceous fine particles. The characterization of particles in ambient air includes the 2 following steps:

1) Development of new air sampling and analytical chemistry techniques for particles, including;

- sampling methods to reduce PM sample collection artifacts due to semi-volatile organic compounds;
- analytical methods to determine the chemical characteristics of particles that relate to their source or to important atmospheric processes that affect particle formation; and
- development of improved semi-continuous and integrating methods for measurement of organic and elemental carbon.

2) Compilation and analysis of ambient measurement data sets in order to;

- develop and test various hypotheses regarding the influence of transportation sources on PM2.5 concentrations; and
- support the development and evaluation of air quality models.

The work will be carried out at the Air Quality Research Branch of EC.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The main goal of this project is to develop measurement and modeling techniques and systems for atmospheric particles and their precursors produced by transportation-related combustion sources. Specific targets which have been achieved include the completed analysis of tracers for wood combustion, meat cooking and fungi. A full year of daily TSRI (Toxic Substances Research Initiative) samples were analyzed. The Pacific 2001 field study was successful and have shown that marine emissions can be significant contributors to PM in the Georgia Basin. Receptor modeling results was presented to various stakeholders whereas the receptor modeling results are being utilized in planning for the Canada-US PM Annex.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $482,700 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 20.9% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 4.8.

Strategic Intent 2 ·Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 2.1.2

The design and use of gaseous and liquid hydrocarbon fuels and associated technologies to achieve emissions reductions.

POL 2.1.2—Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER)

The impact transportation has on our environment is being critically examined and as a result the transportation industry is being asked to find ways to reduce this impact through the development of new, cleaner technologies. As projections see a continuing increase in miles driven and a trend for use of larger vehicles, the need for a cleaner environment and further emissions reductions is ever increasing. The Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER) POL supports the development of new, innovative transportation technologies in order to reduce emissions and produce a cleaner environment. The primary impact from the AFTER research and development (R&D) program is improved air quality through reduced emissions from the Canadian transportation sector This includes regulated emissions VOC, CO, NOx and PM (volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, oxides of nitrogen and particulate matter) as well as greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. This POL also assists in the growth of commercially viable new Canadian technologies.

Some highlights of the work carried out in this POL include an EC project that is demonstrating the significant fuel economy benefits of faster engine warm-up during winter operations. One of the prototype technologies that were evaluated for cold start diesel emission reductions is presently being commercialized. Another EC lead project testing gasoline/ethanol blends (up to 20% ethanol content) showed statistically significant reduction in CO emissions but at the same time NO_x and aldehyde levels increased; the test programs are on-going. A project enabling EC to have a direct input into the selection of potential diesel additives has tested over 25 of these additives, contributing to a database of ethers properties of over 172 products. An examination of the toxicology of three new potential diesel ethers showed no toxic effects with these compounds. Industry is now being sought for the synthesis of these reduced emissions fuels. These projects are all leading the transportation industry towards cleaner technologies.

The following activities are included under POL 2.1.2:

- Gaseous and Alternative Fuels Technology
- Gasoline and Spark Ignited Engine Technology
- Advanced Diesel Fuels and Compression Ignition Engine Technology

International collaboration within this POL extends not only to work on jointly funded projects but also to exchanges of information and/or use of facilities. For example, the Future Transportation Workshop held in Windsor, Ontario was jointly funded with the US Department of Energy. An evaluation of the Enhanced Ignition System under development by Nexum was carried out at the University of Texas in Austin, Texas. The AFTER POL also supported participation with the International Energy Agency (IEA).

Funding sources and collaborations for projects in this POL include the following federal departments: NRCan, TC, EC, HC, NRC. The AFTER POL has established many partnerships with industry and some universities (University of Waterloo, University of Texas) and the Canadian Petroleum Products Institute.

For 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, the POL plan included 30 individual projects. In 2002-2003, POL 2.1.2 was in its third year of the 5-year established POL Plan. EC is leading 5 of these projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 2.1.1 was $3,722,000 and $3,793,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $1,786,000 and for 2002-2003, $1,786,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 7). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 4.3 and 3.1.

Table 7. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.1.2 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	33.9	34.3
TC	22.3	15.4
NRC	20.0	25.6
EC	10.4	10.2
HC	12.0	11.9
Planning & Support	1.4	—
Support & Evaluation	—	1.0

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.1.2

Engine Cold Start Efficiency

Project Manager: Fred Hendren

Project Objectives

This work is now complete. It supports the objectives of PERD by conducting R&D on technologies and/or processes that have the potential to reduce energy consumption and use energy more efficiently. The end result will be a technology or process that will be transferred to industry for commercialization.

EC benefits from this work through the development of technologies/processes that will reduce the pollution burden from mobile sources. The result would be improved air quality in urban areas. In addition, the data that are being generated from this study will enhance the department's knowledge base on exhaust emissions from the Canadian fleet under cold operating conditions. The work also is directly related to environmental protection, enhancement, and climate change initiatives under the Kyoto agreement.

Methodology

The study is being undertaken by conducting vehicle cold start exhaust emissions and fuel consumption testing in an EC test laboratory. The testing involves an evaluation of various technologies and processes that have indicated the potential for energy consumption reductions through an extensive literature search.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The outputs from this work will be technologies or a technology and processes that will result in reductions in energy consumption for automobiles, primarily, but also for trucks. If a process is developed the government could use this process to inform the public on how to save energy. The measurement of success is the demonstration of methods that will reduce the amount of fossil fuels that are consumed during engine cold start. The target is 10% reduction.

One of the prototype technologies (variable coolant flow controller and engine heating elements) that were evaluated for cold start diesel emission reductions is presently being commercialized.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $45,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). 100% of these resources came from PERD funds. The leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.0.

Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Ethanol/Gasoline Blend Fuels

Project Manager: Greg Rideout

Project Objectives

The Government of Canada is supporting through various mechanisms the introduction of ethanol as a low level blend additive for gasoline. The overall objective of the AFTER POL is to support the development of new, innovative technologies, standards and regulations to reduce emissions from the transportation sector.

The objective of this project is to develop the data that is necessary to assess the environmental and health benefits of ethanol when used in light duty vehicles in Canada, under Canadian operating conditions. The output of this project will be the data that is necessary to evaluate the air quality impacts of ethanol blended gasoline for greenhouse gases, air toxics, smog precursors, and fine particulate.

EC benefits from this work through the development of technologies/processes that will reduce the pollution burden from mobile sources. The result would be improved air quality in urban areas. In addition, the data that are being generated from this study will enhance the department's knowledge base on exhaust emissions from the Canadian fleet under cold operating conditions. The work also is directly related to environmental protection, enhancement, and climate change initiatives under the Kyoto agreement.

Methodology

The study is being undertaken by conducting light duty chassis dynamometer emission testing and fuel consumption testing at standard and cold temperatures in an EC test laboratory. In addition the testing will examine the effects of these fuel blends on the evaporative emissions which are a significant source of smog precursors in Canadian cities.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The outputs from this work will be a comprehensive database of exhaust and evaporative emissions for various gasoline-ethanol blends. Testing of gasoline/ethanol blends with up to 20% ethanol content has confirmed a statistically significant reduction in CO emissions but also an increase in NO_x and acetaldehyde emissions. The test program is continuing with an examination of emissions during engine start-up as well as those emitted through evaporation.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $125,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 80% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.3.

Environmental Properties of Ether Fuels

Project Manager: Merv Fingas

Project Objectives

Environmental Properties of Ether Fuels stems from the AFTER project which looks at emissions from diesel engines and possible alternatives. The objectives of this project include:

- To screen potential diesel ethers for environmental concerns related to water and soil;
- To measure environmental properties of diesel ethers, particularly water solubility.
- To measure the environmental toxicity of potential candidate ethers.

The project provides Environment Canada a direct input into the selection of potential diesel additives and allows EC to include their own criteria into the selection process. The project addresses federal government priorities in the transportation area including the reduction of GHG emissions. It is also beneficial to EC because it addresses the federal government's responsibility for transportation emission regulations through the new CEPA legislation; R&D in this area is necessary for the development of new regulations.

Methodology

The method is to conduct laboratory studies on potential diesel additives. Specific outputs will be achieved through accumulation of and correlation of literature values of potential ethers. The solubility of the candidate ethers will be measure and correlated with physical properties to yield a correlation scheme. The environmental concerns will be dealt with by screening with microtox, degradation, and aquatic toxicity test.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The research has led to the demonstration of one non-toxic ether as a high cetane blending component for low emissions diesel fuel. Over 25 potential diesel additives have been tested for solubility, aquatic toxicity, and biodegradation potential. Two reports on these results have been published.

Three potential new ethers show no toxic effects. Database of ethers properties now includes 172 products. A method for solubility measurement has also been perfected and published.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $56,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 46.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources. The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.2.

Windsor Workshop Support

Project Manager: Greg Rideout

Project Objectives

The main objective of the Windsor Workshop is the exchange of technical information on transportation fuels. This information will result in the development of new, cleaner transportation technologies that will reduce emissions and produce a cleaner environment.

EC provides support to the Windsor Workshop on Transportation Fuels. This workshop is well recognized for the exchange of technical information relating to developments in conventional transportation fuels as well as alternate fuels, advanced automotive technologies, vehicle emissions, and combustion processes.

A successful joint workshop with the US DOE held in May 2002 (Windsor, ON) brought together members of Government, Industry and Academia.

Funding

The resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $10,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). 100% of these resources came from PERD funds. The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.0.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Transportation Sector

Development of Fuel Cell, Electric, and Hybrid Vehicles

Strategic Intent 2 ·Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 is to provide S&T to improve energy efficiency, reduce emissions, and provide economic benefits to Canada from next generation vehicles and systems.

Strategic Intent 2 ·Strategic Direction 2 ·Objective 2.2.2

The Development of Fuel Cell, Electric, and Hybrid Vehicle Components and their Supporting Infrastructures.

POL 2.2.2—Fuel Cells, Electric and Hybrid Vehicles
The Fuel Cells, Electric and Hybrid Vehicles POL focuses on the development of fuel cell, electric and hybrid vehicle components and their supporting infrastructures. The need for emissions reduction and ultimately a cleaner environment as well as providing economic benefits to Canada is the pillar of POL 2.2.2. Activities within this POL are progressive, starting at the stage of innovation, leading to the stage of product development, and finally to the introduction of the new technology.

To produce market ready components and systems, and develop infrastructure to support their commercialization, the following activities carried out by NRCan, DND, TC, EC or HC are included under POL 2.2.2:

- Investigation of promising new technologies: fundamental research focusing on lab-scale projects (e.g. Improvement the Nickel hydroxide cathode). Successful technologies move on to Activity 2 where industry further develops the product.

- Development and testing of laboratory and prototype components and systems: producing outputs such as (1) prototype power sources (fuel cells, batteries, flywheels, etc), and (2) prototype control systems, auxiliaries and driveline technology (e.g. hybrid vehicle controls or electric motors) and their integration. For example, TC had developed a multi-mode electric bus in partnership with industry. Several transit properties have shown interest in the OCC bus (Overland Custom Coach) and commercialization opportunities are likely to unfold in the near future.

- Investigation of health, safety and environmental issues to provide a knowledge base for the development of infrastructure (including policies, standards and guidelines): focusing on facilitating the introduction of electric vehicle technology. Projects undertaken in this activity have assessed the possible air quality effects of significant penetration of electric vehicles within two urban areas of Canada; in both locations, overall GHG and non-GHG emissions would be improved. Results could also be extrapolated to full cell vehicles over the next few years. EC is contributing to a joint program with NY State to evaluate clean diesel technologies for NY City Transit Fleet. The outcome of that work is the advanced introduction of ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, emission control technologies, and diesel.-electric hybrids in NY City. These technologies are now being taken up by various municipal transit operations across the country.

This POL is led by the NRCan's CANMET Energy Technology Centre (CETC). Other funding sources and POL participants include EC, HC and TC. The industrial partners working with the POL are numerous and include Armstrong, Monitoring, Agile Systems Inc, BET Services Inc., CAMI Automotive Inc., Dynetek Industries Ltd, Electrovaya Inc., Flywheel Energy Systems Inc, Ford Motor Company, etc. The Universities of Queen's, McMaster, Waterloo and the Royal Military College participate in a number of projects. The province of Manitoba, and the municipalities of Montréal, Québec, St-Jérôme and Toronto also support some projects.

In 2002-2003, POL 2.2.2 was in its third year of the 3-year established POL Plan. EC is leading 1 of these projects. This POL will be combined with POL 2.2.3 "Hydrogen Production, Storage and Infrastructure" in fiscal year 2003-2004. Each POL will operate largely independently for the first year.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 2.2.2 was $12,084,000 and $8,747,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $2,804,000 and for 2002-2003, $2,692,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 8). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 4.3 and 3.1 for 2002-2003.

Table 8. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.2.2 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	76.9	75.6
DND	10.8	10.6
TC	8.9	8.7
HC	3.4	3.3
EC	—	1.7

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.2.2

Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Fuel Cells, Electric, and Hybrid Vehicles

Project Manager: Greg Rideout

Project Objectives
This work is undertaken as part of a bigger project or program. The ERMD is working with industry and other government departments in the development and demonstration of fuel cell, electric, and hybrid vehicle systems. The PERD contribution is directed toward the scope of the emissions testing element of these projects to expand upon the characterization of toxics, greenhouse gases, and particulates.

In the past year the work was focused on three efforts:
- A Fuel Cell project that was undertaken with Georgetown University;
- A diesel-electric hybrid bus project undertaken with Allison-GM, and the Southeaster Pennsylvania Transportation Authority;
- A Transport Canada project with Overland Coach.

This work supports the objectives of PERD by conducting R&D on technologies and/or processes that have the potential to reduce energy consumption and use energy more efficiently. The end result will be a technology or process that will be transferred to industry for commercialization

EC benefits from this work through the development of technologies/processes that will reduce the pollution burden from mobile sources. The result would be improved air quality in urban areas. In addition, the data that are being generated from this study will enhance the department's knowledge base on exhaust emissions from the Canadian fleet under cold operating conditions. The work also is directly related to environmental protection, enhancement, and climate change initiatives under the Kyoto agreement.

Methodology
The study is being undertaken by conducting heavy duty chassis dynamometer emission testing and fuel consumption testing in an EC test laboratory. The testing involves an evaluation of various technologies and processes that have indicated the potential for energy consumption and emission reductions.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story
The outputs from this work will be a comprehensive database of emissions and performance characteristics for the various technologies that can then be compared to data from conventional vehicles under the same test conditions. This information is needed by the technology developer, the fleet manager as well as the government policy planner. At each level the data is applied to make informed investment decisions in terms of technology advancement, fleet investments, and government policy or regulation.

The data from this work is being added to that developed under a joint EC-NY State program to evaluate clean diesel technologies for the NY City Transit Fleet. The outcome

of that work is the advanced introduction of ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, emission control technologies, and diesel-electric hybrids in NY City. Through this program several other large northeastern US cities, i.e. Philadelphia, Washington, and Boston, have made similar investment decisions. The Canadian benefit is that these technologies are now being taken up by various municipal transit operations across the country.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $105,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 47.6% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.1.

Strategic Intent 2 ·Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 2.2.4

Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems.

POL 2.2.4

Transportation accounts for approximately 25% of GHGs in Canada (50 % distribution between urban and inter-city transportation). Urban transportation is responsible for 78% of emissions, and the remaining 22% from freight movement within urban areas. POL 2.2.4 develops knowledge, new concepts and technologies that will improve energy efficiency and reduce GHGs, as well as other emissions.

Information and communications systems (ICS) play an important role in improving the energy efficiency associated with the interaction and integration of vehicles, operators and transportation infrastructure. Transportation systems can incorporate many technologies and operating concepts such as sensors, communications, control, vehicle or vessel location identification, navigation, data storage, processing and display and improved operating procedures. For example, a joint project was initiated between TC with the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) with the ultimate objective of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of Advanced Traffic Management Systems (ATMS) through advances in automated incident detection systems and other traffic management strategies. A project was also initiated on Aircraft Meteorological Data Relay (AMDAR) which will enable more accurate meteorological forecasts which in turn lead to more efficient air travel, with reduced fuel consumption and GHG emissions.

Through reduced congestion, integration of different modes, increased capacity of the existing infrastructure, shifting of traffic to less energy intensive modes, energy consumption can be reduced. Application of new knowledge and technologies to transportation will also provide economic benefits. Canada has been a leading player in a number of new system concepts and technologies such as toll collection, weigh-in-motion, traffic sensors, vehicle transponders, vehicle traffic management and communication systems.

In the navigational transportation area, the St. Lawrence system is used as a prototype to resolve optimal navigation routes in terms of fuel consumption and CO_2 pollution reduction, and at supporting traffic management. EC's project on St. Lawrence Routing management has developed ice transit performance algorithms which will result in fuel savings of 9.74%. In a normal winter, this is equivalent to at least 25,000 tons reduction in CO_2 for the St. Lawrence system.

The following activities are included under POL 2.1.2:

- Urban Transportation Efficiency
- Intermodal Freight Efficiency
- Air Transport Efficiency
- R&D on Future Opportunities

Canadian participants in the FDM Program are continuing to co-operate with organisations in other countries in the development of policies, methods, tools, and sharing of the results. There is joint collaboration and harmonization between US, Canada and European countries

in developments of GPS and SatNav. Several countries meet regularly to share information and results related to AMDAR.

Participating federal departments include TC, DFO, EC, NRC and NRCan. Funding and collaboration in this POL includes industry (Air Canada, Air Norterra, Bell Mobility, Bombardier, Domtar, Nav Canada, Novax Industries, and many more) as well as provincial governments and agencies (Government of Alberta, Transport Québec, Port of Montréal)

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 12 individual projects and 10 projects in 2002-2003. In 2002-2003, POL 2.2.4 was in its third year of the 3-year established POL Plan. A new 4-year POL Plan takes effect in 2003/2004. EC is leading 1 of these projects in 2002-2003.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 2.2.4 was $8,955,500 and $4,250,500 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $2,125,000 and for 2002-2003, $1,910,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 9). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 4.2 and 2.2 for 2002-2003.

Table 9. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.2.4 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
TC	39.6	63.2
EC, DFO, NRC	32.3	—
EC, NRC, CCG	—	20.9
DFO	26.2	11.7
NRCan	1.6	3.3
POL Management (TC)	0.3	0.9

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.2.4

The St Lawrence Routing Management Support Model

Project Manager: Normand Michaud

This project is a follow up on 2 separate PERD projects titled *Ice Forecast in the St Lawrence System* by DFO and *Improving Vessel Routing Methodologies in the St Lawrence system* by EC. With the PERD re-organization toward POL programs, the projects were seen as ideal projects in terms of energy efficiency in the marine transportation system and were combined into one big project called *The St Lawrence routing management support model.* The Laurentian division of Canadian Coast Guard, responsible for safe and efficient navigation in the system, joined as a full partner and agreed to setting up a working prototype in their operational area. In addition, the prototype may also be ran from any commercial PC currently found on the market.

This project is a joint project with DFO Sciences of Laurentian region and with the DFO Canadian Coast Guard operations of the Laurentian region. Partners will include the CCG Operations Centre, CCG Marine Communications and Traffic Services, DFO Science Maurice-Lamontagne Institute, the Canadian Hydraulics Centre of the National Research Council, Transport Quebec, Environment Canada's Marine Services and the Canadian marine shipping industry represented through the Canadian Marine Advisory Committee.

The PERD context is energy efficiency. This R&D initiative aims at determining optimal navigation routes in terms of fuel consumption and GHG reductions. As a sub-benefit, another context of PERD also fits in the project: sustainable development through efficient transportation system

This project benefits EC by:

- Reducing Greenhouse Gas (GHG): The St Lawrence transportation system produces about 2,7 MT of CO_2 annually. A 5 to 10% reduction may lead to about.3MT. (regional yearly savings estimated at: 52,000 ton fuel and 200,000 ton GHG). Reductions at country scale will give about 3.6 MT.
- Preventing water pollution due to oil spills or other chemical released at sea during accidents: the routing model will provide the optimal route in terms of fuel consumption, and will also provide alternate routes on request. Severity conditions along the route will be provided, what will make for safer transits.
- Improving the capability to predict environmental information in the 0 to 48 hours range. (the meteorological service of canada, a division of ec, is responsible to provide marine weather warnings to the marine community)

Methodology

The system will apply various technologies to integrate actual weather, tidal, current, ice, water depth, wave and ship performance data to provide routing forecasts for transmission to and subsequent use by domestic and international ships. Trials and field experiments are carried on a regular basis using commercial ships operating on a regular basis in the

St Lawrence system. Power used by the ship, fuel consumption data, observational data on winds, waves, sea state, water temperature and ice are collected on a regular basis, analyzed, assimilated and fed into the oceanic model. The prototype uses the results to provide fuel consumption and transit times for different classes of ships. Other severity indexes are also derivable from the algorithm outputs. The Canadian Coast Guard with funding and support from the stakeholders involved is currently implementing this prototype system.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

A priority was given for the development of the algorithm to calculate fuel consumption and CO_2 emissions for one class of ship and was realized on target in March 2003. In parallel, an evaluation of the observation of ice feeding the ice model as well as the representation of ice within the model is on target. The monitoring of sea surface temperature and salinity as well as the daily forecast of sea surface temperature, currents, and sea ice has been made available to the partners of the project as well as to the general public, this year, and on the WEB.

This part completes the Phase 1 of the project which covered two fiscal years: 2001-02 and 2002-03. Ice transit performance algorithms have been developed during the last 2 years using the MV Cicero and a prototype has been setup in 2003. The prototype is now running smoothly. It shows that a fuel saving of 9.74% on average is predicted using the algorithms. In a normal winter, this is equivalent to at least 25,000 tons reduction in CO2 for the St Lawrence system.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $223,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 67.3% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (industry, others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.5.

Strategic Intent 3—Buildings and Communities Sector

Strategic Intent 3 is to reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's buildings and community systems and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Intent 3 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 is to provide S&T to integrate energy services (supply and end use) in communities to reduce overall energy requirements, optimize the use of available resources, and reduce environmental impacts including GHG emissions.

Strategic Intent 3 · Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 3.2.4

To develop technical and decision-making process innovations that will help achieve integrated energy management at the community level and contribute to sustainable community development.

POL 3.2.1—Energy Management for Sustainable Communities
Canadian communities are among the most energy-intensive in the world. At the household level, Canadians consume more energy (e.g., for heating and cooling) than almost any other nation in the world and transport-related energy consumption is second only to that of the US. The energy infrastructure serving Canadian communities is organized at national or provincial scales (large generating units dependent largely on non-renewable and distant energy sources); this puts an economic strain on Canadian communities and makes them vulnerable to energy disruption.

This POL focuses on community energy management (CEM) with the goal of reducing the energy intensity of Canadian communities and shifting to more efficient and environmentally-benign community energy technologies. This includes, the use of more efficient community energy distribution systems, and the planning and design of communities and community sub-systems (e.g., transportation, waste management) to minimize energy use exploration of methods with which to supply communities using local sources of renewable or waste energy. An interesting EC project dealing with this aspect of the POL is a novel method of heating a community in Alberta: an aquifer storage based heating system that draws its energy from solar panels. Individual homes in the subdivision will be connected to a district heating system. This district heating system will draw the energy from the aquifer as well as transport the energy from the solar panels to the aquifer. There has also been considerable development in the use of microturbines using LFG as a more efficient and low cost power generation technology. The City of Calgary has agreed to continue using a microturbine at one of their waste facilities. Novel equipment powered by the microturbine waste heat has been installed to remove siloxanes from the land fill gas. This project has great potential at other waste facilities. An EC project that reduces energy demand and fosters sustainable energy and distribution in communities is now evaluating the potential of using green roofs, vertical gardens and urban forestry to reduce residential summer energy consumption through reductions in canopy-level temperatures and shading.

This effort to reduce energy demands on urban centers is sure to attract participation and interest within members of the community.

The following activities are included under POL 3.2.4:

- Community Energy and Waste Technology Development: To deliver the knowledge and tools that will allow the construction, operation and management of energy from thermal networks and waste facilities.
- Community Decision-Making Processes and Tools: To foster community decision-making practices that reduce energy demand and facilitate the incorporation of sustainable energy and distribution supply options into community sub-systems.

The international collaboration in this POL has been achieved with different Implementing Agreements (IA) of the International Energy Agency (IEA), such as energy storage, district heating and cooling including the use of CHP, and process integration.

Funding and collaborative partners include federal departments such as NRCan, EC, PWGSC and CMHC. Other partners include the Corporation Supporting Recyling, Environment Plastics and Industry Council, Dal-Tech, Nova Scotia Agricultural College, the Clean Air Partnership, etc.

For 2002-2003, the POL plan included 18 projects. POL 3.4.2 forms the integration of POLs 3.2.1 and 3.2.3. 2002-2003 has been a year of formulating the new POL plan. EC is leading or participating in 7 of the projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 3.2.4 was unavailable since the POL was formed in 2002. The total 2002-2003 annual budget for POL 3.2.4 was $2,000,000. For 2002-2003, total PERD resources available were $938,000 ($957,000 was the latest figure but the breakdown within departments was unavailable; the former figure was used to prepare the table below). PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 10). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2002-2003 was 2.1.

Table 10. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 3.2.4 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	N/a	55.8
EC	N/a	37.5
CMHC	N/a	3.5
PWGSC	N/a	3.2

Environment Canada Projects for POL 3.2.4

Design of More Effective Energy Storage Systems

Project Manager: Franck Cruickshanks

Project Objectives

The project is involved, through national and international collaborations, at developing a variety of tools and procedures for implementing Underground Thermal Energy Storage (UTES)- an advanced form of ground-source heat pumping in Canada. The objective of this project is to deliver the knowledge and tools that will allow the construction, operation and management of energy from thermal networks. The interconnections will facilitate higher overall efficiency of the community energy system, as well as the increased use of renewable and local energy sources. PERD funding for this project is to start in 2003-2004.

This project benefits EC since it will strive to integrate energy services in communities to reduce overall energy requirements, optimize the use of available resources and reduce environmental impacts, including air pollution and GHG emissions. This project represents an innovating process that will help achieve integrated energy management at the community level and contribute to sustainable community development.

Methodology

The research involved the development of tools and procedures fro implementing UTES in Canada by:

- Computer models for designing UTES systems;
- Environmental Impact Assessment procedures;
- CSA-Design Standard for UTES;
- In-Situ (borehole) Thermal Response Test (TRT);
- Demonstration Projects.

The area of focus is energy storage as it relates to distributed generation, aquifer thermal energy storage, borehole thermal energy storage, cavern thermal energy storage, land based snow storage for commercial and industrial applications. Cold is also used from the natural environment such as lakes, seawater/harbour waters, ambient cold air in winter, etc. for cooling of community buildings

The design of more effective storage systems was much advanced with the development of the Okotoks, AB project. Plans have been made to build a subdivision in this community with heat from solar collectors, where the solar heat is augmented with thermal energy from aquifer storage. The aquifer will be replenished with energy in the summertime, using the same solar collectors. Besides aquifer storage, solar energy, district heating and advanced home heating systems will be part of this project.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Goals for this project include:

- Evaluation of one large building for harbour cooling with underground seasonal cold storage (HRM) (2003-2004);
- Site evaluation and drilling tests in Okotoks, AB for large scale solar district heating system utilizing seasonal UTES (aquifer or borehole) (2003-2003);
- Workshops with European and North American experts on borehole and aquifer modeling, building simulation, and solar collector roof integration (2003-2004);
- Completion of detailed engineering design for Okotoks system (2003-2004);
- Construction of Okotoks system and installation of monitoring equipment (2004-2005)

All initial hydrogeological evaluations are now completed and the project is on target.

Funding

N/A

Development of energy from waste technologies and other alternative technologies:
- ***Microturbines Development/Emission Research from Landfill Gas***

Improvement of Waste Management Decision-Making::
- ***Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model***
- ***Advanced Landfill Technology***

Project Managers: Dennis Jackson and Alain David

Projects' Objectives

The three projects Microturbines Development/Emission Research from Landfill Gas, Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model, and Advanced Landfill Technology do not stem from a previous PERD project. Environment Canada, NRC and the City of Calgary are working in partnership to demonstrate microturbine technology for energy production, and employ gas cleaning technology. Environment Canada, the University of Waterloo, Environment Plastic Industry Council (EPIC), and Corporations Supporting Recycling (CSR) are working in joint venture to update and expend the IWM Model.

Specific objectives for the 3 projects are the following:

1) Mircroturbines Development/ Emission Research from Landfill Gas
To demonstrate microturbine technology for energy production. Enhanced testing from landfill gas and emissions from combustion sources will be undertaken to demonstrate benefits of clean combustion. Landfill gas testing will be focused on components of the gas which can cause complications in reciprocating engines and microturbines. Previously funded activities through PERD has attracted attention and funds to perform additional research from the CCAF 2000. PERD funds will augment the CCAF research funds and will be used towards additional research and demonstration for microturbine use, development, and marketing opportunities in Canada.

2) Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model
The IWM Model provides the ability to compare environmental impacts from a variety of waste management systems options. Further, it allows for the determination of energy requirements and GHG emissions associated with the various waste management systems. The IWM Model requires constant updates on energy data.

3) Advanced Landfill Technology
Advance and demonstrate the concept of bioreactors for optimized energy recovery. This new landfill technology has the potential to stabilize wastes more quickly, increase the generation of landfill gas to optimize energy production, reduce GHG emissions, and provide a more controlled environment for potential environmental impacts.

With the ratification of the Kyoto Protocol, the Government of Canada has made climate change a national priority. EC has a lead position in developing initiatives that support Canada's commitments to reduce GHG emissions and help it adapt to the impacts of climate change.

These projects are important as they advance the development of alternative energy systems for sustainable development. Additional benefits include the enhancement of sustainable waste management strategies, and the reduction of GHG emissions from the destruction of methane and from the offset of fossil fuel use.

These projects complement the PERD program by reducing energy consumption, increasing renewable energy development , and therefore reducing CO_2 emissions from waste energy.

Methodology
Specific methodologies for the 3 projects are the following:

1) Microturbines Development / Emission Research from Landfill Gas
The portable power system, set up at the Shepard Landfill in Calgary (AB), included an LFG processing and conditioning system and a Capstone 330 (30 kW nominal output) microturbine. Operational parameters considered and monitored during the pilot testing included:
   - Microturbine: electrical power output, power import requirement, system stability, parasitic load, voltage, amperage, rpm, operating hours, total kWh and exhaust emissions;
   - Landfill gas: inlet and outlet gas conditions for the fuel processing system, including gas composition (CH_4, CO_2, N_2, O_2), flow rate, pressures, temperatures, trace contaminants (siloxanes, H_2S, VOCs, etc.); and
   - Other parameters: turbine efficiency, online availability, turndown ratio, heating value range of operation, fuel gas pressure range, and fuel gas temperature range.

2) Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model
The IWM Model considers the full range of waste streams to be managed and views the available waste management practices as a menu of options from which waste managers can select the preferred option based on site specific environmental, economic and social considerations.

The model development and updating included:
   - Completion of needs assessment;
   - Research and integration of the Canadian Raw Material Database against other sources;
   - Update and expand to include energy from manufacturing, pre-combustion andfabrication stages; and
   - Completion of additional modules.

3) Advanced Landfill Technology
The system boundaries included not only the landfill cell construction operation and associated emissions, but also the production processes and transport necessary to the implementation of these technologies. System boundaries were also expanded to include electricity and heat production processes to take into consideration the energy recovered from the collected landfill gas.

Technological developments include three design components and one operational requirement that strive to enhance anaerobic methanogenic biodegradation to stabilize degradable matter:

- Enhanced Containment System for the containment, control and collection of leachate;
- Leachate Collection and Recirculation System consisting of leachate collection pipes in the bottom drain layer, sumps and pumps to collect and convey the moisture up into leachate recirculation pipes in horizontal terraces or into vertical recirculation wells;
- Gas Collection and Extraction System with active extraction of landfill gas through horizontal or vertical wells; and
- Active Operation and Monitoring, i.e., active controlled leachate recirculation, gas extraction and enhanced monitoring with the goal of rapid biodegradation.

Goals, Outputs and Projects' Success Stories
Specific goals and outputs for the 3 projects are the following:

1) Microturbines Development / Emission Research from Landfill Gas
Output: Report on testing and demonstration of more efficient and low cost power generation and technologies using LFG.
Goal and Performance Indicators:

- Two systems installed and tested
- Two commercial orders for new technology
- Gas cleaning technology successfully employed

Status: The gas cleaning technology is being installed at the microturbine unit in Calgary. The unit will remain in Calgary for the foreseeable future. An Agreement with the City is in place. The City is interested in long term power research and development energy opportunities. Gas cleaning technology will be conducted early in 2004.

2) Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model
Output: Update and expended IWM Model on new platform.
Goal and Performance Indicators:

- Model and new modules updated.
- Most large municipalities representing 25% of the population using the model.
- Needs assessment and consultations completed.

Status: Energy data is being revised and updated. Additional research is required for the integration of the Canadian Raw Materials Database into the model. The model needs assessment was completed in the fall of 2003.

3) Advanced Landfill Technology
Output: Diagnostic process to assess advanced landfill technology using a life cycle approach.

Goal and Performance Indicators:

- Process completed;
- Most of the largest communities and private sector companies considering advanced technologies and using the tool.

Status: Energy evaluation of life cycle has been completed. Integration of the information is to be accomplished. Additional research is required on some energy impacts since time constraints have not allowed for all studies to be completed.

Specific success stories for the 3 projects include the following:

1) Microturbines Development / Emission Research from Landfill Gas
The testing of a Capstone 30 kW microturbine is on-going at the Shepard landfill site, Calgary (AB). As of May 2002, the unit has operated for 1,555 hours and produced a total of 38,800 kWh of total electrical power. Moisture and siloxane removal systems are vital to the long-term operation of the microturbine and will be reported in the future. Excessive wear (on injectors and turbine blades) and microturbine failures resulting from siloxanes have been documented by Capstone.

2) Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model
The model has been used increasingly to evaluate energy impacts of waste management. Several requests from large municipalities have been made to integrate energy data from advance thermal treatment.

3) Advanced Landfill Technology
The bioreactor represents an improvement in typical engineered landfill processes since energy is recovered from the collected landfill gas and this reduces the need for external energy, and landfill gas is produced at a greater rate, reducing the amount directly released to the atmosphere after the end of the post-closure monitoring period. The engineered landfill requires more materials; energy inputs via the nonroad equipment used and supplemented energy from external processes to achieve the same performance as the bioreactor landfill. The raw material inputs, solid waste outputs and emissions associated potential environmental impacts are also greater for the engineered landfill option. From these results, the bioreactor landfill can be identified as the preferred option from an energy and environmental point of view.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $359,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 48.5% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (industry and others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.1.

Integrating Urban Forestry, Green Roofs and Vertical Gardens to Reduce Energy Consumption

Project Manager: Brad Bass

Project Objectives

The project is part of a larger research effort to assess the impact of building surfaces on urban temperatures and stormwater runoff and strategies to adapt to climate change by modifying these surfaces. The research will evaluate the potential of using green roofs, vertical gardens and urban forestry to reduce residential summer energy consumption through reductions in canopy-level temperatures and shading.

This project benefits EC since it will build on previous research, but at a different scale. The work raises EC's profile with municipalities, USAID and PERD. The project is building new partnerships with academia and other agencies. It is developing new results for publication to raise profile of EC research in academic community.

Methodology

In order to attain its objectives, the project will:

- Collect landuse data;
- Run baseline scenarios using the USAID urban forestry model, UFORE (an empirical model that simulates energy conservation and air quality due to urban vegetation);
- Identify buildings in study area suitable for roof and wall modification with vegetation, and;
- Run UFORE scenarios with varying amounts of vegetation.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The project is in its first stages of research but has already land use data has already been collected. GIS database has been created and various scenario inputs for UFORE have been prepared.

Since the project is in its early beginnings, it is still too early to report success stories. However, there is a high degree of interest among target groups as measured by the number of individuals requesting copies of produced reports on linkage between neighborhood design and travel behavior, neighborhood design energy supply options, and energy implications of green roofs.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $85,000 2002-2003 only). An average 29.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.4.

Clean Air Portal

Project Manager: Franck Portalupi

Project Objectives

This project builds on the past municipal research by FCM, and POL 3.2.3 (Review of Municipal Clean Air Strategies, and Achieving Energy Efficiency through Integration of Land-Use and Transportation Planning in Canadian Metropolitan Regions), and extends the National Climate Change Process - Municipalities Table work.

Thus with the knowledge of this previous research, Clean Air OnLine has gone on to research two areas in more detail:

- "Tools to support municipal decision making in climate change and clean air", and;
- "Reducing air emission and energy use through integrated community planning: and examination of current practices in the GTA".

In addition, all research from 2004 and past POL projects have contributed heavily to content, structural design and linkages of the Clean Air OnLine websites- both national and GTA pilot.

As part of the *Energy Management for Sustainable Communities (POL 3.2.4),* the Clean Air OnLine Pilot Project contributes to the Government of Canada's effort to reduce climate change and improve air quality at the community level. Clean Air OnLine can be used as a supporting element in the new deal for cities and communities by:

- Providing options for municipal energy or air emission software tools, and;
- Contributing to the creation of an on-line resource for municipal decision makers, citizens and local community groups.

The focus of the Clean Air OnLine Pilot project will be on developing new and innovative ways to use existing web-based tools and identifying additional tools required to support community action. Community partners will play a key role in defining project priorities and testing and refining the system. The Pilot will increase understanding of how web-based information systems can be enhanced and adapted to provide interactive and individualized support to mobilize community action. Documenting the process of setting up this expert system will advance understanding within the R & D community of how web-based tools can advance community-level action, which can facilitate future projects in other regions of Canada and else where in the world.

The Clean Air OnLine objectives, in the context of PERD, include:

- Involving key local players to ensure relevance of expert system to the user;

- Reduction of harmful air emissions by encouraging individual and communities level actions in the GTA (and through the Web in all of Canada) by developing a clean air & climate change expert and interactive information system. The system will provide relevant information on energy choices affecting air emissions, suggest ways to reduce these emissions and connect to key actors and initiatives in the Greater Toronto Area;
- Working with committed community partners, develop and test a prototype Web based expert information system to support local actions that can significantly reduce emissions causing both air pollution and climate change;
- Conducting supportive research for municipalities and communities (i.e. Partners for Climate Protection).

In addition, CAOL provides a common platform from which research that is consistent with the stated PERD R&D Strategies and may be funded by PERD can increase the ongoing profile and accessibility of their work.

This project benefits EC since Environment Canada works toward reducing the health and safety impacts of environmental threats. It is critical that the public have easily accessible, accurate and relevant information on Clean Air. Clean Air OnLine is a format where Environment Canada can inform Canadians about the issue of Clean Air in a manner that is

- Clear and concise
- Easily accessible and up-to-date (on the Internet)
- Geographically relevant
- Relevant to people's day-to-day lives
- Demonstrative of the inter-related work of Environment Canada

CAOL also facilitates and encourages information awareness and exchange throughout EC

Methodology

We are working with interested representatives from the Canadian government and academic communities, along with our key partners for the project, to document the overall process of this information system in order to facilitate similar experiences in other regions of Canada and else where in the world. Each phase of the project will rely on a different methodological approach.

Phase 1- Background Research:

This phase focused on creating a solid information base through advisory committees, needs assessments, and research of currently available information, tools and resources.

Phase 2- Prototype:

Based on findings of phase I, this phase will focus on developing a prototype web information system that provides easy access to existing information; researching and developing content; creating new tools identified in the needs assessment; and, working with

the owner of existing relevant information and tools in order to adapt their information to better serve the needs identified as part of this project.

Phase 3-
Upon successful completion of phase II, the project will move to pilot and assess the web information system with multiple communities and groups; and organize a workshop to discuss results and will explore the feasibility of expanding the initiative into other regions of Canada.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story
Timeline:
The Clean Air OnLine Pilot Project has just completed Phase I (as outlined in the initial proposal). As part of this Phase, the project has completed the following items:

- Created an advisory committee formed of key community decision makers (including the Greater Toronto Area Clean Air Council) to help identify needs of the information system;
- Conducted a formal needs assessment using focus group and other relevant approaches;
- Researched currently available information, tools and resources that could be included in the proposed information system;
- Researched best practices with regard to the use of Web based information systems to encourage individual and community level actions.

Project Outputs:
As Phase I was focused on assessment and information gathering, a Needs Assessment Report (Output 1) was completed. This report builds on building on existing work done by local groups and identifying gaps / new research areas (Greater Toronto Area, Clean Air Council, Toronto Atmospheric Fund).

As the project moves into Phase II, the prototypes of the Clean Air OnLine websites are being developed (Output 2). These prototypes will allow testing of this expert system with individual citizen and local community group (community meetings) (Output 4).

Status of the Project:
The project is progressing on schedule, with the completion of Phase I and the implementation of Phase II expected for Year 2 and 3.

Clean Air Online will move away from information organized by government silos and encourage the sharing of information, ideas and resources among those whom are involved in air quality issues. This information sharing can be seen in the partnership between the national and local scales, the effective linkages with climate change and energy information, and in the interactive portal website structure. More importantly, this move away silos is seen in how each page emphasizes the topic of clean air and air quality, and not governmental departments or organizations. This is an important feature of Clean Air OnLine and greatly improves its value as a place to explore air quality issues.

The Clean Air OnLine website strives to provide more than an overview and introductory context to the issue of clean air. It also focuses on exploring what community planning tools are available and how they can be designed to assist communities in making energy efficient decisions.

Clean Air OnLine takes advantage of innovations in website design and content management systems. In its creation, Clean Air OnLine had to overcome two main technical challenges:

- Integrating and/or coordinating information currently owned and managed by many different federal and non-federal partners; and,
- Providing an effective and efficient way to create, upload and manage information posted

Many Clean Air OnLine partners already have and manage extensive databases of air quality related information. Not all of these databases use the same computer file format, many require different computer platforms to operate, and most are stored in different locations. Since it is not possible, desirable or necessary to combine all of the data into a single location, this data needs to be combined dynamically and seamlessly.

Clean Air OnLine partners have either provided actual information or have allowed access to their databases for use on this website. The content management system has been to coordinate information from these sources and package it into a single website. To insure content integrity the information is still owned and maintained by those who developed it.

Clean Air OnLine concept has generated much interest due to its multi-tiered partnership and stakeholders (public, private, non-governmental); and organization of information based on the general public's perception of the topic (Clean Air). This interest is resulting in interest from many new partners and stakeholders, and an interest from other municipalities.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $378,000 (2002-2003). An average 29.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and others such as Border Initiative, Sustainable Communities Energy Initiative (SCEI). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.4.

Strategic Intent 4—Industry Sector

Strategic Intent 4 is to reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's industrial sectors and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, improving productivity and providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Intent 4 · Strategic Direction 3

Strategic Direction 3 is to provide S&T to advance generic energy-related technologies and processes to reduce energy intensity, particularly in industry, to achieve productivity gains and reduce GHG emissions and other wastes.

Strategic Intent 4 · Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 4.3.3

The Development of Advanced Technologies and Products for Heat Management and Separation Including High Efficiency Drying.

POL 4.3.3—Research, Development and Deployment for Industrial Separation and Refrigeration (SEPREF)

The SEPREF POL (Industrial Separation and Refrigeration) focuses on decreasing the energy intensity and improving the productivity of selected industrial unit operations that are widely used, are energy-intensive and are amenable to a wiser use of energy through knowledge and technology. The SEPREF POL aims at generating energy-related knowledge and technologies that can be deployed to help Canada meet its environmental stewardship commitments, including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; to formulate sound energy policies; to enhance national capacity for energy technology innovation; and for energy-related industrial development for both the public and private good.

New eco-efficient processes that demand less energy and produce less harmful emissions are marketable commodities. They may aid many countries in reaching their environmental commitments and so offer an economic opportunity to Canadian developers. One such EC project (PERD funded) in this POL "Applications of Microwave-Assisted Process (MAPTM) to Solvent-less Synthesis and to Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction" lead to the development of a new process that uses only 10% of the energy required by the one it will replace. This ingenious process has already found commercial application and is expected to result in savings in the pharmaceutical and chemical preparation sector.

The following activities are included under POL 4.3.3:

- Drying Technologies
- Flow-reversal reactor technology
- Membrane separation technology
- Microwave-assisted technology
- Heat (cold) management technology

SEPREF is a "Multi-Player" program to be delivered jointly by Natural Resources Canada, the National Research Council and Environment Canada in partnership with numerous industrial players (e.g. Enbridge, Consumers Gas Parrheim Food inc., Forintek, Westmorland Fisheries, etc.), universities (e.g. Université Laval, McGill University, École Polytechnique, Concordia University, University of Alberta, Tianjin University, Université de Monction, etc.), various associations (e.g. Agence de l'efficacité énergétique du Québec, Association des manufacturiers du bois d'œuvre du Québec) and international partners (e.g. Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences, SAIREM s.a. (France), EPA (US), CSIRO (Australia).

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 5 major projects and 4 major projects in 2002-2003. In 2002-2003, POL 4.3.3 was in its third year of a 4-year established POL plan. EC is leading 1 of these major projects in 2002-2003.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 4.3.3 was $2,441,000 and $3,179,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $1,064,000 and for 2002-2003, $1,064,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 11). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 2.3 and 3.0 for 2002-2003.

Table 11. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 4.3.3 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	66.5	66.5
NRC	25.9	8.5
EC	7.5	7.5
Unallocated	—	17.5

Environment Canada Projects for POL 4.3.3

Applications of Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP™) To Solvent-less Synthesis and to Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction

Project Manager: Jocelyn Paré

Project Objectives

This project stems from the PERD "extraction" project (1997–2000). The project has been broadened widely as a result of our successful application for a TEAM-funded project involving CanAmera Foods and BC Research. While this latter project deals exclusively with the extraction component of our "sustainable chemistry" program, its magnitude and demand on personnel resources are such that the synthesis component has been impacted significantly. For example, the TEAM project funded adequately the extraction work, hence allowing the MAP Division to invest more heavily into the synthesis-related activities.

The objectives of the project are to provide Canada's synthesis and extraction industrial sector with low solvent and low energy consuming processes that will offer health, economic and environmental benefits both nationally and globally while supporting sustainable development and reducing toxic substances and GHGs. This project aims to further the development of the Government of Canada's patented Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP) and to further the development of the use of microwave–assisted synthesis as an energy-efficient environmentally friendly industrial process for the synthesis industry.

An objective of this project is to further the development of the use of microwave-assisted synthesis as an energy-efficient environmentally-friendly industrial process for the pharmaceutical synthesis industry. This is in agreement with PERD's main objective "to provide the science and technology necessary for Canada to move toward a sustainable energy future". It addresses many of EC's business lines of "giving Canadians the tools to build a greener society" … "by ensuring that economic development is environmentally sensitive …", "… pollution prevention… greenhouse gases reduction, …" . Furthermore, it conforms to Health Canada's mandate to improve public health and safety.

These activities benefit EC because they fall in the industrial demonstration of pollution prevention work category required under CEPA and are in agreement with EC's business lines, as well as support the government's "good governance" objectives. It also supports EC's duty under the Fisheries Act by providing means to reduce or eliminate toxics release into wastewater effluents. The research also addresses government priorities, including:

Job Creation, Wealth Generation, and Competitiveness

This project will provide cleaner, low-solvent or zero-solvent, more cost and energy–efficient extraction and chemical synthesis processes that will enhance the international competitiveness of the Canadian food and chemical sectors (thus, create or protect jobs in Canada), while providing increased market opportunities. There also is significant potential to further provide opportunities for yet new, unprotected applications of the use of microwaves in other industrial processing activities where selective heating would apply and further reduce overall energy consumption. To date, the licensing of the technology has already resulted in

sales of hundreds of analytical systems and the creation of jobs while providing for more environmentally sustainable ways of conducting economically sound business.

Environmental Improvement
Comparative laboratory work has shown that MAP uses significantly less solvent (*i.e.*, less toxics) than conventional processing technologies. Also, microwave–assisted synthesis generates fewer solvent wastes and consumes less energy; thereby, helping reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and other pollutants from energy production.

Advancement of Knowledge
The use of microwaves to enhance biological, chemical, and physical processes is inherently innovative. Microwave–assisted synthesis is under accelerated development as evidenced in the increasing number of reports dealing with MAP and by the numerous patents granted in this area over the past few years. The expertise and experience of the team involved in this project is unique world–wide, and could provide Canada with an edge in the relatively unexplored area of novel atmospheric–pressure, solvent–less, microwave–assisted organic synthesis procedures.

Methodology
The major deliverables are being achieved through laboratory studies and bench–scale tests carried out at the Environmental Technology Centre (Ottawa) and at the Wastewater Technology Centre (Burlington), Environment Canada.

MAP, inherently, is an innovative process as evidenced by the granting of Patents in each and every jurisdiction around the world where an application was filed. Conventional methods for extraction of edible oils from plant material make use of very large volumes of hot hexane requiring enormous amounts of energy. Hexane is relatively transparent to microwave irradiation and is well-suited for the MAP technology. MAP is based upon the selective and localised heating of residual moisture in plant materials, requiring basically no energy to heat the solvent and the extraction apparatus. The increase in pressure resulting from the phase transition (expansion of liquid into gas) of this residual water causes the disruption of the physical structure of the plant materials thus releasing the contents into the surrounding, relatively cold solvent which dissolves it. This mechanism also implies that less solvent is required, thus an indirect benefit in energy savings since significant amounts of energy are required to manufacture food-quality hexane (over 6M tonnes of hexane are used each year in Canada by the food industry). It also represents a direct benefit in terms of reducing GHG emissions by requiring less energy to remove the solvent from the oil and by distilling it back to food-grade specifications. Obviously, less waste is produced than conventional industrial processes, thus bringing additional environmental benefits as well as economic benefits (by reducing costs associated with waste management). The spent plant material can be either composted or used in livestock feed formulations. In other applications dealing with high value-added materials, the process also allowed for the substitution of more toxic and more expensive solvents. Substituting liquefied propane or butane for hexane would bring in additional benefits; little, if any, energy would be required to remove the solvent from the edible oil and losses during the various processing stages would be reduced accordingly. Low pressure liquefied gases extraction is not practised currently due to the generally limited diffusion of liquefied gases into plant material, a parameter of no importance in MAP.

Solvent-Less Synthesis

Statistics show that in 1993 the pharmaceutical industry in Canada was made up of 122 manufacturing establishments. This represented more than $4.3 billion in shipments. "Total factory-gate sales (shipments from Canadian manufacturers plus imports minus exports) of medicines in Canada were $5.4 billion, of which patented products accounted for 44%" (Scrip's 1995 Yearbook, Volume II, Part V: Countries). The energy requirement associated with the production of pharmaceutical products is relatively high compared to other synthetic products. In fact, the traditional "wet" synthesis requires large amounts of energy to carry out relatively inefficient chemical reactions. This high energy use can also be related to the high solvent use. In fact, heating processes associated with effecting chemical reactions involve the random application of thermal heat to the solvent-reactants mixture. Solvent-less procedures are impractical under convection heating conditions. The latter is not true under microwave heating conditions where selective heating can be applied to achieve the required synthetic goals. The energy involved in purifying and desolventizing steps are truly unique given the high purity and quality control parameters associated with pharmaceutical products and contribute enormously to compounding the energy demand. In fact, with the exception of cement making one could argue that the energy to mass ratio used in this synthesis industry might be the highest of all other industrial manufacturing processes. Hence, combining the use of solvent-less conditions and energy-efficient use of microwaves offers a broad potential in terms of environmental gains, health and economic benefits, and innovation.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The goals of this project are:

- To further the development of Environment Canada's energy-efficient patented Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP™)[1] for the synthesis industry in Canada, and:
- To provide the Canadian pharmaceutical industry with a unique energy-efficient industrial process that will offer health, economic and environmental benefits that will provide it with international leadership in the field.

Deliverables and Project Successes:

Deliverable 1 (March 2003): Fully characterized procedures for i) a batch microwave-assisted synthesis under atmospheric and solvent-less conditions at the bench-scale; and ii) one selected target to be synthesised under microwave, continuous-flow conditions.

Status: Some of the components of this deliverable were modified in order to improve the response and behaviour of the equipment. New hardware and software were added to the dielectmeters to make them fully automatic and complement our goals. This was followed by a full characterization and validation of these equipments. Results in terms of their precision, accuracy and reproducibility will be presented at the upcoming 39th IUPAC Congress and 86th Conference of the Canadian Society for Chemistry that will take place in Ottawa in August 2003. Work is in continuation in the investigation of the influence of

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dielectric properties of individual components involved in chemical processes. The apparatus was also modified by interfacing it with a computer controlled FT-IR. This FT-IR uses a flow through cell where microwave-assisted chemical processes are allowed to take place. The goal is to validate MAP technologies as green chemistry tools that are characterized by low energy consumption, low chemical wastes release, and low green house gas emissions. In parallel to this we pursued our microwave-assisted solid-phase synthesis of functionalized polymers and proceeded with batch scale-up of some reactions. These provided good results and are still on-going.

Deliverable 2 (March 2003): A ready-to-be-implemented energy-efficient technology for the Canadian edible oil processing industry based upon low solvent losses, energy-efficient MAP hexane extraction or upon a low volume energy-efficient liquefied gas MAP extraction process.

Status: The project was further extended into FY 02-03 (and will also be for FY 03-04 and 04-05 as new feedstock are being added to the list of viable products). Radient Technologies Inc., a spin-off company of BC Research, was incorporated in June 2002 and established its operational facilities at the Wastewater Technology Centre in Burlington. Under its licence agreement with Environment Canada, Radient became the entity responsible for the operation of all MAP related projects at the pilot-scale level. Also in 2002, CanAmera Foods changed ownership and its new owner has demonstrated a lot of interest in the continuation of the extraction of Canola oil using the MAP family of technologies. These studies are being extended, concentrating on the even greater economic and environmental benefits possible *via* the development of low-pressure liquefied gases as the extraction solvent for edible oils. This approach has proven to be extraordinary for two reasons: 1- it greatly simplifies one of the most energy-intensive steps in the extraction process – solvent removal from the product; 2- it opens the door to the use of solvents that are an alternative to the traditional hexane. This latter point is of great interest to the commodity food oil industry as they seek means for responding to emerging environmental and regulatory pressures surrounding the use of hexane.

One of the great successes of the TEAM project was the successful demonstration of liquefied-gas MAP at the bench scale. The use of liquefied gases such as butane or propane was proposed as parallel work during the project in order to potentially broaden the range of use of the technology. The result was the successful construction and testing of a small bench-scale MAP system designed for batch operation with liquefied butane and the solvent. In addition to enabling the replacement of hexane with a cheaper, non-toxic substitute, liquefied-gas MAP also enables even greater energy reductions and associated GHG emission reductions.

Because of the success resulting in this demonstration project, a consortium led by Radient Technologies Inc. submitted a project application to SDTC and was successful at getting funding for next year. The overall objective of this study will be to design, construct, test and verify a demonstration-scale liquefied-gas MAP extraction plant for edible oils and other more valuable natural product extracts, leading to the completion of detailed engineering cost-benefit analyses for various products.

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Deliverable 1 (March 2004): To identify novel applications of microwaves in heterogeneous chemical synthesis where the uniqueness of such energy application could demonstrate high potential for significant energy and solvent use reduction. To render the dielectmeter more commercial-ready to ensure that other research groups have access and contribute to this expanding field in other industrial sectors.

Deliverable 2 (March 2004): To further develop an innovative "eco-efficient" platform technology that promotes sustainable development in the new bio-based economy. To further advance Canadian technology by continuing the development, demonstration and commercialisation of other applications of MAP, in particular applications related to the industrial extraction of valuable products from renewable biomass.

Deliverable 3 (New) (March 2004): To design and construct a solid-state based microwave generator for laboratory applications to be used in screening procedures.

Awards granted to members of the MAP Team:

- In major part as a result of this research program, representatives from TPPD, Sairem (France), CanAmera Foods, BC Research, McGill University, the US EPA and ETAD were awarded the 2001 5NR Science Award to Leaders in Sustainable Development.

- In 2001, the FPTT (Federal Partners in Technology Transfer) Innovator Award, for the development and transfer of an innovative Microwave-Assisted Process (MAP™) to extract and remove various components from a host material was awarded to Prof. J. R. Jocelyn Paré, manager of this PERD project.

- For its continued effort in the development and commercialisation of the Microwave-Assisted Processes, the MAP Team was awarded the 2002 Head of Public Service Award in the Excellence in Service Delivery Category for Collaborative Working Relationships.

- In June 2003, Prof. J. R. Jocelyn Paré, was awarded the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada Gold Medal Award in the field of pure and applied science, which recognizes the excellence of his research program.

- In December 2003 Prof. J. R. Jocelyn Paré received the Outstanding Achievement Award, the highest expression of recognition under the Government of Canada's Recognition Policy, for his Leadership and Innovative scientific and technological achievements.

- Also in December 2003, Prof. J. R. Jocelyn Paré was honored with the Meritorious Service Medal Award, in recognition of his numerous successful industrial applications resulting from the development of the MAP family of technologies which are used worldwide, and for which Canada holds patent rights around the world.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $1,535,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 5.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry (CanAmera Foods, BC Research) and others such as TEAM). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 19.8.

Strategic Intent 5—Electricity Sector

Strategic Intent 5 is to reduce the environmental impacts of Canada's electricity infrastructure, particularly greenhouse gases, through alternative electric power generation, increased efficiency of fossil-fueled plants, and strategies to capture and manage emissions.

Strategic Intent 5 · Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1 is to provide S&T to increase the proportion of Canada's electricity supply from renewables and distributed systems which offer improved system integration and reduced environmental impacts. (R&D activities in this area will exclusively address generic technological issues whose applications are not related to communities, buildings, and industry).

Strategic Intent 5 · Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 5.1.1

Improving the Economics and Efficiency of Conversion of Renewable Energy to Electricity Including Related Storage, Hybrid, and Systems Technologies.

POL 5.1.1– Electricity from Renewable Energy Technologies

Canada is a world leader in the production of renewable energy- approximately 17% of its primary energy supply comes from such sustainable sources. Canada's renewable energy is primarily derived from two sources: water (11%) and biomass (6%). Renewable energy sources such as wind power and solar energy, solar thermal and photovoltaics (PV), as well as the newer small hydro and biofuels technologies are rapidly gaining in importance.

This POL focuses on the accelerated development of emerging renewable energy technologies used to generate electricity. It covers the generation of electrical energy from Wind energy, Small Hydro, Biomass, Photovoltaics, and the associated infrastructure issues. By improving the economics and efficiency of renewable energy technologies, Canada can increase its low or non-CO_2 emitting energy supply options to address the Kyoto targets. One target set by the Climate Change Plan for Canada calls for '10% of new electricity generating capacity to come from emerging renewable sources'. Projects such as those undertaken within POL 5.1.1 are expected to play a key role in meeting this target.

Highlights within this POL are numerous and include research by NRCan on new wind-energy systems or components developed /tested, pointing to promising advantages over existing ones and hence potential manufacturing opportunities such as the New Direct Drive Generators for 10-50kW wind turbines allowing more efficient wind-energy conversion. In the biomass to electricity field, several companies are making progress in their efforts to advance bio-oil for electricity generation. An EC project reports a major accomplishment with respect to wind modeling/forecasting. Their modeling technique is important both for the transfer of the wind modeling technology to the wind energy community, and as development of a component of an improved wind forecasting system. A new solar portion of the EC project is aiming to provide spectral irradiance data for the PV industry in

anticipation of new ISO standards on PV efficiency. The summer observations of spectral irradiance are some of the first such observations in Canada.

The following activities are included under POL 5.1.1:

- Wind Energy Technology Development
- Small Hydro Technology Development
- Biomass Conversion to Electricity
- Solar PV Electricity Technology
- Infrastructure Support for all renewable energy electricity generating technologies such as resource assessment, interconnection issues, ecological and environmental issues, and geotechnical issues associated with electricity generation/transmission technologies.

International partnerniships include the International Energy Agency (IEA) as well as a number of bilateral collaborations with the US and Europe for Bioenergy, PV, Stream Flow Management, Small Hydro, and others.

Funding and collaborative partners include federal departments such as NRCan, EC, DF&O, PWGSC and NRC (IRAP), the Climate Change Action Plan (TEAM) and other related governmental programs. POL 5.1.1 also has a wide range of R&D partners and collaborators from industry (e.g Bolwell Composites Technologies, MSC Entreprises, Dynamotive Energy Systems Corp, Enerkem Technologies, and many more), universities (e.g. Université Laval, École de Technologie Supérieure, University of New Brunswick., Dalhousie University, University of Buffalo, etc.) and other agencies (e.g. International Energy Agency, CSA, Parks Canada, etc.)

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 10 projects and 11 projects in 2002-2003. POL 5.1.1 is closely linked with POLs 3.2.2 (Renewable Energy in Off-Grid/Remote Communities), 4.3.3. (Forest and Forest Products Industry), 2.1.3 (Transportation Fuels from Renewable Sources) and 5.1.2 (Distributed Generation). EC is leading 2 of the projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 5.1.1 was $15,609,000 and $7,207,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $1,182,000 and for 2002-2003, $1,205,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 12). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 13.2 and 6.0 for 2002-2003.

Table 12 Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.1.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	84.3	78.7
EC	10.2	9.4
DFO	5.5	7.1
POL Management	—	4.8

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.1.1

EC Wind and Solar Energy Resource Assessment- Solar Radiation

Project Manager: Bruce McArthur

Project Objectives

The Solar Radiation portion of the present PERD project is new work. The objective of this aspect of the project is to provide spectral irradiance data for the PV industry in anticipation of new ISO standards on PV efficiency. The plan is to provide observations of spectral irradiance at three locations by 04/05 that can be used by PV manufacturers and researchers.

This project benefits EC since the observation of spectral irradiance is necessary not only for PV applications, but for climate, air quality monitoring, agriculture, the retrieval of a variety of parameters from satellites. The funds provided through PERD provide a means of offsetting costs associated with the development of surface-based observations that can be used in the above applications.

Methodology

The first year of the project was to begin developing a prototype instrument for the observations that are to begin late in the second year of the project. The second year will complete the development work and if funding levels are appropriate begin the installation of spectral radiometers at three locations. The final year of the project will be the collection, quality assurance, and provision of data to the PV community. The data will also be of interest to the air quality community and the satellite community.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

In 2003-04 observations were made at the Bratt's Lake Observatory using a scanning radiometer. While not an operational instrument the scans provide information on clear sky spectral irradiance and add to our knowledge base of operating issues that must be resolved before operational measurements can be made.

In 2003-04 the National Atmospheric Radiation Centre completed development of a calibration facility for spectral radiometers and has used it to characterize a spectrometer that has potential to be used as an operational instrument.

The project received year-end funds from NRCAN (Varennes) that have been used to purchase necessary parts for the development of the operational spectrometer and helped in the purchase of a second potential instrument that will be tested in early 04-05

The summer observations of spectral irradiance are some of the first such observations in Canada. These observations show the significant effect of forest fire smoke on spectral irradiance, even after being transported in the atmosphere for more than 1000 km. Work continues on analyzing this data in collaboration with Simon Fraser University.

A recent IEA SHCP Task definition workshop has included the need for spectral resource assessment within its mandate. This task is expected to receive final approval in 2004 and will provide a means of developing global linkages in technologies associated with spectral irradiance.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $59,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 32.2% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others such as NRCan, Simon Fraser University). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.1.

EC Wind and Solar Energy Resource Assessment- Wind Mapping with Atmospheric Models

Project Manager: Robert Benoit

Project Objectives

The project *Wind Mapping with Atmospheric Models* does not stem from another PERD project and is not part of a bigger project. Its objectives include:

- Improved wind forecasts to improve the economic efficiency, performance, and power generated from grid-connected wind energy systems supplying de-regulated electrical energy markets.
- Optimized siting and power production of renewable energy systems through improved wind energy resource assessment information.

This project benefits EC by improving the knowledge of the modeling of surface winds in Canada it also connects the MSC (Met Service of Canada) with another industry: windpower farms.

Methodology

The objectives of the project will be attained via:

- Large-scale climate data classification;
- Statistical-dynamical downscaling of wind data: development for mesoscale weather model;
- Coupling with micro-scale flow model;
- Use of high-resolution terrain data

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The project has set the following goals:

- Participation and completion of IEA wind forecasting Annex by 05/06;
- Increase of accuracy of wind forecasts by 5% by 05/06;
- Verification of WEST (wind energy simulation toolkit, based on mesoscale MC2 model) modelling tools with tall towers (40m) in lower St. Lawrence Valley by 03/04;
- In partnership with NRC develop an ENSIM-based operational version of WEST for transfer to other agencies, companies and consultants by 03/04.

The project is advancing generally on target. Some highlights of this project include an article in TIMES magazine of Nov 18 2002: “The future is blowin’ in the wind” and another article in Canada Research Horizons Spring 2003: “WEST wind blowing”.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $180,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 38.9% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.6

Strategic Intent 5 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 is to provide S&T to reduce emissions and the associated environmental impacts from centralized, combustion-based electric power generation systems.

Strategic Intent 5 · Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 5.2.1

The Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE) for More Efficient and Environmentally Benign Electricity Generation.

POL 5.2.1—Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE)
Canada's largest remaining hydrocarbon resource is contained in coal seams distributed in diverse geological settings from coast to coast (coal constitutes 90% of North America's remaining hydrocarbon resources). These coal seams also contain potential unconventional methane resources. New technologies for surface and in situ gasification indicate coal can be a major source of petrochemical products now refined from oil and gas. Deep coal seams also have potential as storage sites for greenhouse gases from Canada's electricity generation and conventional hydrocarbon sectors. Higher efficiency technologies for coal-fired electrical generation coupled with new emissions control technologies indicate coal can contribute to greenhouse gas reduction targets while maintaining environmental standards.

This POL focuses on the characterization of Canadian fuels and their emissions for more efficient and environmentally benign electricity generation.

Highlights within this POL include preliminary results from NRCan research on the characterization of emissions and by-products from coal-burning power plants. Data illustrate the true impacts of this activity, as opposed to the often emotional assertions expressed by the general public. For example, preliminary results indicate one-third of the particulate matter emitted is non-respirable. The particulate emissions from a modern coal-fired power using highly efficient particulate control technology can achieve, and even surpass, the National New Source Emission Guideline of 0.095Kg/Mwh for PM. An EC project has shown that certain components of coals are strongly correlated to increased mercury capture. These components are present in some coals but not in others. The implication of this is it may be possible for power plants to reduce mercury emissions by fuel switching or by blending the beneficial coal with the typically used coal. Methods which can be employed to reduce emissions of mercury will provide options to the electric power generating sector to meet air emissions criteria.

The following activities are included under POL 5.2.1:
- Fuel Characterization for Sustainable Production and Environmental Risk Assessment
- Resource Management Technology Development
- Emissions Characterization and Environmental Monitoring

Each project in POL 5.2.1 involves collaboration with academia (e.g. University of Kentucky), industrial partners (e.g. Trident Exploration Limited, DM Solutions Group Limited, Atco Electric Limited,, Fording Coal Limited, etc.), and provincial government agencies (Nova Scotia department of Natural Resources, Government of Yukon, British Columbia Geological Survey Branch, etc.) in collaboration with federal research groups for delivery. Federal Departments involved in this POL include NRCan and EC. The Geological Survey of Canada provides overall co-ordination.

For 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, the POL plan included 3 main projects. POL 5.2.1 is in its last year of a 3-year POL Plan. EC is leading 1 of these projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 5.2.1 was $1,875,000 and $1,851,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $741,000 and for 2002-2003, $711,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 13). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2001 was 2.5 and 2.6 for 2002-2003.

Table 13. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.2.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	86.9	86.8
EC	13.1	13.2

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.2.1

Environmental Contaminants in Coal and Coal Byproducts

Project Manager:

Project Objectives
This project stems from projects carried out through the 1980s and 1990s. Most recently the work was carried out under the title *Advanced Combustion Emissions Controls* as part of PERD funded research. This work is a part of Activity 3 of POL 5.2.1, namely: The characterization of emissions from Canada's major centralized power generation plants in terms of trace and other elemental contaminants, as well a particulates and polyaromatic hydrocarbons. The main objective of this work is to determine the effect of these contaminants on emissions with a view towards the development of emission reduction strategies.

This work helps benefit EC since research in the area of coal combustion and coal byproducts helps develop a thorough understanding of the environmental impacts of fossil-fired electricity generation systems and thereby allows the Electricity and Industrial Combustion Branch to assess options for prevention, reduction or mitigation of these impacts. This knowledge aids in informing the Minister of the Environment on current issues of concern and in the development of appropriate policy to address these issues. Specifically, this research has enabled informed decisions on the following Environment Canada initiatives: the Multi-Pollutant Emissions Reductions Process for the Electric Power Sector, the revisions to the CEPA 1999 New Sources Emission Guidelines for Thermal Electricity Generation, and the Canada-wide Standards for Mercury from Coal-fired Electric Power Plants

Methodology
This work is comprised of laboratory and field investigations into the analyses of coal feed stocks, the ash-byproduct and the emissions to atmosphere from coal-fired boilers. The goal is to determining the quantification of the contaminants (e.g., heavy metals), the factors that affect the transformation and speciation of these contaminants, and to identify strategies for preventing or minimizing the release of these contaminants.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story
The main goal of this project is to try to determine what characteristics of coals and their constituents affect the ability for mercury in the coal to be captured in the fly as opposed to being emitted to atmosphere. This study will continue into 2004/2005.

Recent work has shown that certain components of coals are strongly correlated to increased mercury capture. These components are present in some coals but not in others. The implication of this is it may be possible for power plants to reduce mercury emissions by fuel switching or by blending the beneficial coal with the typically used coal. Methods which can be employed to reduce emissions of mercury will provide options to the electric power generating sector to meet air emissions criteria such as the impending CCME Canada-wide Standards for Mercury from Coal-Fired Power Plants.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $120,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 50% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (industry). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.0.

Strategic Intent 5 ·Strategic Direction 2 ·Objective 5.2.2

The Conversion of Fossil Fuels to Electricity More Efficiently with Ultra-low Environmental Emissions.

POL 5.2.2—Clean and Efficient Combustion Technologies for Large Utility Electricity Generation

The generation of electricity by fossil fuel combustion is a major source of air contaminants worldwide. Approximately two-thirds of the world's electricity is generated by burning coal, natural gas and oil. In Canada, fossil fuels (70% coal, 18% natural gas, 7% oil and 5% biomass) account for 27% of the electricity generated. It is clear that this form of electricity production contributes to emissions affecting air quality, in the form of nitrogen oxide (NO_x), sulphur dioxide (SO_x), particulate matter (PM) and mercury (Hg).
This POL focuses on the assessment and development of technologies to convert fossil fuels to electricity more efficiently and with ultra-low emissions.

Highlights within this POL include products that have been developed, tested and are now in operation within industry; these projects have had significant cost recovery from clients. Here are a few examples. Testing for the capture and removal of Hg emissions from coal-based gases is underway for a major Canadian coal-fired utility. In an EC project, results have indicated that mercury control for lignite-fired power plants may be achievable. These encouraging results have led to the development of a larger demonstration project by SaskPower at one of its lignite-fired plants. As part of the same EC project, a new methodology will allow the measurement, tracking and reporting of the ultra-fine particulate emissions which are not presently represented in emission inventories. A more accurate quantification of these emissions will allow industry, atmospheric modelers and policy makers to devote the necessary resources to properly address the associated issues of air quality. A new measurement methodology for fine particulate matter from coal combustion has also been successfully demonstrated.

The following activities are included under POL 5.2.2:

- Upgrading of Existing Technologies (R&D on improved thermal efficiencies and reduced GHG emissions from existing generating stations).
- Air Quality Technologies (Determination of potentially hazardous substances in combustion residues)
- Advanced Electricity Cycles (Advanced, high-efficiency, clean combustion cycles for electricity)

Collaboration with CIDA and the Chinese Government has seen an implementation plan for technology transfer to reduce GHG emissions from coal fired plants in China. Canada is participating along with 10 other countries to IEA Bioenergy Agreement (Energy from Integrated Solid Waste Management Systems). Trough this POL, Canada also participates to the International Energy Agency (IEA) implementing Agreement on Clean Coal Sciences.

Funding sources and partnerships include NRCan, EC, universities (Southern Illinois University), industry (e.g. Kinectrics, TransAlta, ZECA Corporation, etc.) and other agencies (e.g. CIDA).

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 19 projects and approximately 20 projects in 2002-2003. POL 5.2.2 is in its last year of a 3-year POL Plan. EC is leading 1 of these projects.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 5.2.2 was $3,269,000 and $4,093,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $1,997,000 and for 2002-2003, $1,935,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 14). For this POL the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 1.6 and 2.1 for 2002-2003.

Table 14 Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.2.2 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	85.4	85.4
EC	14.6	14.6

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.2.2

Prevention, Control and Mitigation of Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sources

Project Manager: Don Rose

Project Objectives

This project stems from projects carried out through the 1980s and 1990s. Most recently the work was carried out under the title *Advanced Combustion Emissions Controls* as part of PERD funded research. This work is part of two Activities under POL 5.2.2. These are: *Air Quality Technologies – The determination of potentially hazardous substances in combustion residues;* and *Advanced Electricity Cycles – Advanced, high-efficiency, clean combustion cycles for electricity.*

The project benefits EC because research in the area of fossil-fired electricity generating systems helps develop a thorough understanding of the environmental impacts of these systems and thereby allows the Electricity and Industrial Combustion Branch to assess options for prevention, reduction or mitigation of these impacts. This knowledge aids in informing the Minister of the Environment on current issues of concern and in the development of appropriate policy to address these issues. Specifically, this research has enabled informed decisions on the following EC initiatives: the Strategic Options Process to address emissions of toxic substances, the Multi-Pollutant Emissions Reductions Process for the Electric Power Sector, the revisions to the CEPA 1999 New Sources Emission Guidelines for Thermal Electricity Generation, and the Canada-wide Standards for Mercury from Coal-fired Electric Power Plants.

Methodology

The current work is comprised of several areas of studies carried out with federal, provincial and academic research institutions. The work involves laboratory and field investigations into:

- Laboratory investigation of sorbents for mercury capture from power plant stack gases;
- Laboratory and field investigation of coal gasification technology and its implications/impacts for the Canadian electricity industry and indigenous coal reserves;
- Laboratory and field development of a methodology for measurement of the condensable fraction of fine particulate matter; and
- aboratory development of an advanced technique for the real-time sampling, measurement and monitoring of ambient aerosol particulate matter.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Sorbents for mercury capture from power plant stack gases:

- A recently completed study was carried out at the Energy & Environmental Research Center (EERC), University of North Dakota. This pilot-scale study examined potential mercury control options for electric power plants that burn lignite coal. The findings were that mercury capture at lignite-fired power plants may be achievable. These results are being used to design a larger scale project at a Saskatchewan lignite-fired power plant.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Electricity Sector

Conversion of Fossil Fuels to Electricity

Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sources

- A current study is being carried out by the Saskatchewan Research Council (SRC) and affiliates. The purpose of this is an attempt to determine the properties and mechanisms of sorbents for potential capture of mercury from coal-fired power plants. The results of this would benefit the field test work described above. Work is to be completed by March 31, 2004, and a report will be made available at that time.

Coal gasification technology and its implications/impacts for the Canadian electricity industry and indigenous coal reserves:

- This is an on-going study into the state of the art of coal gasification. The principal investigator is CANMET Advanced Combustion Technology Centre. This project is expected to continue well into the future, as it appears that coal gasification has been deemed by the fossil-fired electricity generating utilities to be the technology of choice for the next generation of power plant. This continued technology watch will help evaluate the environmental performance of such plants. Yearly reports are prepared and are available. This watching brief on gasification technology will continue into 2004/2005.

Methodology for measurement of the condensable fraction of fine particulate matter:

- This work is being carried out by CANMET Advanced Combustion Technology Centre in collaboration with two Canadian electric utilities. The purpose of the work is to devise a method for the measurement of the ultra-fine, condensable fraction of PM in coal-fired combustion systems. Previous laboratory work proved the concept and equipment is feasible and field trials in 2003/2004 further confirmed the techniques. Regular progress reports and annual reports are prepared by CANMET (The reports are not available as they are Business Protected under agreements with the utilities). A review at the end of this fiscal year will determine the future of this project.

Advanced technique for the real-time sampling, measurement and monitoring of ambient aerosol particulate matter:

- This work is carried out by the University of Toronto (UofT) Department of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. Previous work investigated and proved the concept of using the novel technique of laser ablation mass spectrometry (LAMS) to physically and chemically characterize ambient particulate matter in real time. Further work involved the construction of a LAMS unit at UofT for sampling ambient PM and the development of techniques for sorting and analyzing the data. Laboratory work is expected to continue through to 2004/2005. It is intended that the LAMS technology would be brought from the laboratory to the field for final development with the ultimate goal of the broader application of identifying extreme PM events as they occur and of identifying the source of the PM emissions. Yearly reports are available. This project will continue into 2004/2005.

Some success stories within this project include:

Sorbents for mercury capture from power plant stack gases:
The EERC study indicated that mercury control for lignite-fired power plants may be achievable. These encouraging results have led to the development of a larger demonstration project by SaskPower at one of its lignite-fired plants.

Coal gasification technology and its implications/impacts for the Canadian electricity industry and indigenous coal reserves:
The past years of investigation of this topic have helped create a unique Canadian expertise at CANMET. Following on this level of expertise and the industry's acceptance of the technology for a future plant, CANMET is constructing its own pilot-scale gasification research facility. This will allow more in-depth research on the workings of a gasification unit and on the applicability to Canadian fuels.

Methodology for measurement of the condensable fraction of fine particulate matter:
The benefit of this methodology will be to allow the measurement, tracking and reporting of the ultra-fine particulate emissions which are not presently represented in emission inventories. A more accurate quantification of these emissions will allow industry, atmospheric modelers and policy makers to devote the necessary resources to properly address the associated issues of air quality.

Advanced technique for the real-time sampling, measurement and monitoring of ambient aerosol particulate matter:
Present methods for measuring and reporting ambient particulate loadings involve the use of stationary sampling stations. These require a period of days to weeks to gather the samples and then have them analyzed in laboratories. As such, any effort taken to address major PM events would be after the fact. The unqualified success of the real-time LAMS techniques is that they provide the instantaneous classification, quantification of and identification of the source of the ambient PM. This could allow immediate action to be taken, so as to negate or minimize the negative effects of the event.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $678,000 (2002-2003 only). An average 47.6% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (Industry and others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.1.

Strategic Intent 5 ·Strategic Direction 2 ·Objective 5.2.3

The Capture, Treatment, Transport, Use, and Storage of CO_2 from Large Point Sources.

POL 5.2.3—CO2 Capture and Storage

Industrial GHGs combined with natural sources are overwhelming the ability of natural sinks to maintain the atmospheric balance at earlier levels. Anthropomorphic input must be limited. Of the available electricity production methods, burning fossil fuels is very common (27% of generated electricity) and produces the highest levels of GHG emissions. The development of artificial carbon sinks is a solution to cleaner production of electricity via fossil fuel combustion. POL 5.2.3 links separate but related science and technology initiatives presently underway to develop the "zero emission power" option of Canadians. The impact of this program will be felt in years to come when technology and incentives combine to create opportunities for industry to capture and sequester CO_2 from large central power plants.

One highlight of this POL involves the use of CO_2 as an adsorbing material in the extraction of coal bed methane (CBM) to enhance the extraction of methane gas in the coal seams. An EC project under this POL uses this principle and offers a sophisticated solution to the problem of CO_2 emissions. CO_2 produced from a generating station could be pumped into the coal bed to enhance CBM recovery at an extraction site. A study to identify the CO_2 adsorptive capacity of two representative coals extracted from coalbed methane exploration well in Alberta was successfully completed. Results confirm the potential for CO_2 storage.

The following activities are included under POL 5.2.3:

- O_2/CO_2 Process Simulation
- O_2/CO_2 Laboratory Pilot Plant
- CO_2 Condensor Process Simulation
- CO_2 Condensor Laboratory Pilot Plant
- Coal Bed Methane Field Pilot
- Ocean Disposal Field Pilot
- Analysis of CO_2 Adsorption Capacity of Coal

This POL has participated in numerous international initiatives in promoting Canada's climate change technology developments, such as the participation in the development of the IEA Zero Emissions Technologies task force, participation with US DOE and industry in the oxy-fuel research program, providing input to the international data base of projects and participants established by the IEA Greenhouse Program on CO_2 and many more activities.

Funding sources and partnerships include federal departments and programs such as NRCan, EC, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, the CCAP (Climate Change Action Plan), universities (Carleton University, University of Waterloo), industry (e.g.McDermott Technologies Inc., Air Liquide Canada, etc.), provincial generating companies (Saskatchewan Power, Ontario Power Generation, Nova Scotia Power, etc.) and other agencies.

For 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, the POL plan included 13 projects. EC is leading 1 of these projects in 2002-2003.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 5.2.3 was $1,422,000 and $5,025,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $1,070,000 and for 2002-2003, $1,049,500. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 15). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 1.3 and 4.8 for 2002-2003.

Table 15 Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.2.3 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan	70.8	67.7
EC	20.1	19.1
DFO	9.1	13.3

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.2.3

Coal Bed Methane Field Pilot- Characterization of Injected CO_2 and Impact on CBM

Project Manager: Bill Reynen

Project Objectives

This work stems from PERD #22104 in which Phases 1 and 2 were completed (1998). During 1998, as single well micro-pilot test of Mannville coal seams in the Fenn Big Valley area of Alberta was completed. During Phase 2, pure CO_2 injection was tested and concluded that excellent sweep characteristics for the CBM reservoir could be obtained. The principal investigators for the proposed study are staff of the Alberta Research Council (ARC), with Dr. William Gunter heading the technical team. Members of the program include industry, international governments, researchers, provincial and federal governments.

The main objective of this project is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by subsurface injection of carbon dioxide into deep coalbeds and to assess the technical feasibility of CO_2 disposal while enhancing coal bed methane (CBM) production. It involves the use of CO_2 as an adsorbing material in the extraction of CBM to enhance the extraction of methane gas in the coal seams. This project is part of POL 5.2.3 and corresponds to Activity 5, namely *Characterization of injected CO_2 and impact on CBM.*

This project benefits EC since it directly relates to EC's cleaner air mandate by reducing industrial GHGs. The development of artificial carbon sinks such as the use of CBM production is a solution to cleaner production of electricity via fossil fuel combustion. This project will directly affect technology and will create an opportunity for industry to capture and sequester CO_2 from large central power plants.

Methodology

- Phase I was an initial assessment and feasibility study of the concept of injecting industrial waste gas streams containing CO_2 into Alberta's Mannville coals. This phase was completed in July 1997 and it was concluded that flue gas injection was feasible and that the project should continue.
- Phase II consisted of the design and implementation of a micro-pilot test at Fenn-Big Valley, Alberta where injection of pure CO_2 into coalbeds was tested. Phase II was successfully completed in April, 1999 and it was determined that a full scale CO_2 sequestration/enhanced gas recovery (EGR) pilot project was possible.
- Phase III, the design and implementation of a full-scale pilot project in the Fenn-Big Valley area has been divided into two parts. Part A was completed in October, 2000, and focused on the design of a surface facility at commercial and pilot scales, the testing of synthetic flue gas compositions (CO_2/N_2 mixture) in micro pilot tests and testing pilot scale flue gas generation and injection facilities. Part B consists of the operation of a full scale pilot, based on the results from Part A. The full scale pilot will demonstrate that commercial scale CO_2 sequestration in coalbeds with enhanced methane recovery is possible.
- Phase IV is currently underway and involves matching sinks and sources to foster more pilot demonstrations.

Outputs, Goals and Project Success Story

- Two representative coals were collected from coalbed methane exploration wells in east central Alberta through the EnCana/MGV coalbed methane joint venture.
- These samples had already been ground and subjected to methane isotherm by Terratek laboratories of Salt Lake City, Utah. The samples were then submitted for CO_2 isotherm analysis as part of the work plan for this project.
- All laboratory analyses were completed successfully. CO_2 adsorptive capacity was determined at resevoir pressures from 0 to 6 Mpa and at temperatures of 15°C, 20 °C and 25 °C. Methane adsorptive capacity were determined at the reservoir temperature of 16 °C.

Several papers have been presented in international fora. Much of the work is still confidential.

The pilot projects have successfully demonstrated the technical feasibility of CO_2 disposal while enhancing CBM production. Canada is now recognized as a leader in enhanced coalbed methane (ECBM) research. The technology associated with ECBM is on the public policy agenda as a potential mechanism for significant reductions of GHGs.

The project has now completed four micro-pilot tests in western Canada to assess reservoir response in Mannville coals. The data obtained from these tests was used to calibrate reservoir simulators in order to estimate the CO_2 storage/enhanced hydrocarbon gas recovery potential of a multi-well pilot being planned. An important milestone was reached with the selection of a site for the multi-well pilot. The research consortia is now considering other sites for development. The consortia is negotiating with a modeling software vendor to incorporate design aspects developed within the consortia into a commercial model.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $2,285,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 8.3% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (Industry and others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 12.0.

Strategic Intent 6—Climate Sector

Strategic Intent 6 is to minimize the negative impacts of climate change on the Canadian energy sector.

Strategic Intent 6 · Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1 is to provide S&T to support the Canadian energy sector's response to the impacts of climate change.

Strategic Intent 6 · Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 6.1.1

The Development of a Better Understanding of the Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector, Improvement in the Forecasting of Those Impacts, and the Development of Some Possible Response Strategies.

POL 6.1.1—Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector (CCIES)
Greenhouse gas concentrations are on the increase and will continue to be so even with a full implementation of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The result is climate change. The energy sector (production, transmission, distribution and demand) will be affected by changes in temperatures (changes in seasonal heating and cooling demands), sea level rise, sea ice regimes, land stability, hydrological cycles, wind regimes and cloud cover as well as changes in extreme events. Climate change research, conducted in Canada, will enhance our understanding of the climate system and improve our ability to forecast future climate. These forecasts will be most robust when presented at global scales; this POL addresses the challenge of both downscaling these predictions and presenting them in the appropriate parameters so that they can be used to assess the impacts on the energy sector in various regions of Canada.

Anticipating the impact on the energy sector and formulating response strategies begins with a basic understanding of climatic events. Two of the many excellent projects led by EC in this POL can highlight these efforts. A project in North Western Canada is looking at historical temperature and hydrological data to determine if their pattern of natural variation suggests a climate change signal already exists. Climate modeling techniques will be evaluated and further developed to assess the effects of past and future climate change on the regional hydrologic system. A change in glacial resources or the thickness of the permafrost layer may have significant effects on hydroelectric generation or on transportation of oil and gas via pipeline from this region. In the Gulf of St. Lawrence region a similar study is attempting to develop a coupled air-ice-ocean localized climate model capable of predicting the high frequency and seasonal changes in the weather, currents, ice, and the heat/salt/nutrient/momentum content and fluxes in the Gulf. Like its western counterpart, a successful outcome will provide evidence of climate change and predict effects on the hydrological cycle. Such knowledge could be used to assess the possible impact of changes on onshore hydroelectric generation, on offshore oil and gas platforms, and on the safety of marine transportation to and from these sites.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Climate Sector

Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector

The following activities are included under POL 6.1.1:

- The potential impacts of climate change on energy production.
- The potential impacts of climate change on energy transmission and distribution.
- The potential impacts of climate change on energy demand.

This POL is funded by the following federal departments: NRCan, EC and Fisheries and oceans. Other funding sources include universities, industry (Ouranos, Manitoba Hydro, various east coast Oil and Gas operators), as well as other sources (CCAF, CCRS, CSA, US office of Global Programs, Australia CSIRO, PCSP, NREI) and other POLs.

For 2001-2002, the POL plan included 21 projects and 22 projects in 2002-2003. POL 6.1.1 is in its second year of a 3-year POL Plan. EC was leading 11 of these projects in 2002-2003, one of these projects is in collaboration with DFO.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 6.1.1 was $6,843,700 and $6,603,400 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $2,148,000 and for 2002-2003, $2,109,000 (latest figures obtained in March 2004, however, for the breakdown within the departments, PAR figures were used ie $2,108,000 for 2001-2002 and 2002-2003). PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 16). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 3.2 and 3.2 for 2002-2003.

Table 16 Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 6.1.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
DFO	50.2	51.2
EC	40.3	38.3
NRCan	9.4	10.4

Environment Canada Projects for POL 6.1.1

Historical and Future Climate for the Assessment of Energy Sector Impacts in Canada

Project Manager: Don MacIver

Project Objectives

The main objectives of this research are to:

- To develop a nationally consistent set of energy sector historical and future climate scenarios that address impacts researchers' and decision-makers' defined needs and are consistent with other sectoral impacts information being developed within the Canadian Climate Impacts Scenarios (CCIS) Project.
- To make energy sector scenario available and provide guidance to the research community and other users.
- To engage representatives of the energy sector in updating the energy sector chapter of the Canada Country Study based on the available historical and future climate scenarios.

EC benefits from this project through enhancing in-house capacity to develop climate scenarios for the energy sector, improved climate data analysis, tool development and being able to engage the energy sector.

Methodology

- Web workshop to determine the scenario information required by stakeholders;
- Development of statistical analysis tool which was used for data analysis;
- Statistical downscaling of climate scenarios using SDSM and LARS-WG software.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- A Synthesis Report of the Web-Workshop on Climate Scenarios;
- Climate analysis products of 460 stations across Canada;
- Statistical Tool for Extreme Climate Analysis (STECA);
- A report entitled " Climate Change and the Canadian Energy Sector: Report on Vulnerability, Impact and Adaptation";
- Statistical downscaled scenarios for 57 stations across Canada for the CGCM1 model.

Future goals for 2004/2005 include:

- Statistical downscaling of scenarios for the HadCM3 model;
- Analysis of climate extremes;
- Posting on the CICS website.

Highlights resulting from this research include:

- Climate analysis products of 460 stations across Canada;
- Statistical Tool for Extreme Climate Analysis (STECA);
- A report entitled " Climate Change and the Canadian Energy Sector: Report on Vulnerability, Impact and Adaptation";
- Statistical downscaled scenarios for 57 stations across Canada for the CGCM1 model.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $101,500 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 90.2% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.1.

Impacts of Climate Changes in the Canadian Inland Seas Watershed on the Canadian Energy Sector

Project Managers: Gérald Vigeant and Jean-Claude Therriault (DFO)

Project Objectives

This project stems from a previous PERD project. The research was first initiated in 1998-1999 with the development of the first coupled ice/ocean/atmosphere models in view of assessing the impact of climatic changes in the Gulf of St Lawrence. PERD funding has helped in the development of a solid expertise in this field. This project is not part of a bigger project. However, participating researchers and scientific results are part of other scientific programs such as NSERC/CLIVAR, CFCAS, CCAF, Ouranos Consortium, ARCTIC NET/CLIC, etc.

The objectives of this project are in direct support of the CCIES Program at Objective Level aiming at the production of climate scenarios and enhanced environmental predictions adapted to the production, transmission, and demand in the energy sector. As of now, it is yet impossible to downscale climate scenarios to the Canadian inland seas watershed for the lack of an appropriate representation of the coupling between the atmospheric, oceanic, hydrologic and continental components. This project aims at filling this gap in order for the energy sector, as well as many other sectors of development, to fully benefit from the capability to precisely downscale and make use of climate change scenarios and extreme event predictions. It ensures, for the first time, the closure among the expert teams that can carry both the modeling and analysis work toward the energy sector in the Canadian inland seas watershed.

- Develop a regional climate model for Northeastern North America that incorporates coupled atmospheric, continental, basin-scale hydrological, and estuarine ice-ocean components;
- Develop the predictive capability for extreme meteorological and oceanic events in the Canadian inland seas watershed;
- Produce climate change scenarios and impact analyses for the Canadian Energy Sector;
- Foster adaptive responses and decision making regarding environmental predictions in the Canadian Energy Sector.

This project has been able to maintain and encourage EC's efforts in coupled ice/ocean/atmosphere modelling which is of utmost importance for Canadian Northeastern Inland Seas (Hudson Bay/Ungava Bay, Gulf of St Lawrence and estuary. The project has developed research in this field (M.Sc/Ph.D theses) and has gained acknowledgement in the development of climatic scenarios. It's scientific programs and research have been accepted by partners such as Civil Security, the Coast Guard, OURANOS consortium, etc. and have helped in the harmonization of climatic adaptation scientific programs.

Methodology

Through the Canadian climate modelling network of experts, a coupled regional climate model has been developed to reproduce the known climate over the Canadian inland seas watershed, including the atmospheric (north-eastern America), hydrologic (basin-scale inland seas surface runoff), estuarine (Gulf of St. Lawrence, Hudson Bay/Foxe Bassin), and continental components (Canadian Land-Atmosphere Surface Scheme). For these highly-sensitive areas and watersheds, different coupled ice/ocean/atmosphere models have been developed and validated in order to be able to reproduce the past and current variability (seasonal and synoptic scales), and quantitatively estimate changes induced by increased greenhouse gases on extreme events (e.g., storm surges, drought, heat waves, heavy precipitation), or by fresh water regime, currents and the ice cover climate related modifications.

Feedback associated with air-sea fluxes, clouds, shelf fronts, mesoscale oceanic features and sea-ice will be investigated for improving the needed downscaling of large-scale ocean climate models and to enhance coastal climate change projections. Resolving the problem of integrating continental surface fluxes into the Canadian Regional Climate Model becomes critical to the development of sound and realistic regional climate scenarios over continental areas in northeastern Canada. This scientific barrier has to be overcome if the Canadian energy sector needs to assess the impacts of climate change on future hydrological flows and to determine the frequency/intensity of extreme events such as heavy rainfalls and droughts. A strong push is now needed among the Canadian regional modelling community to find a solution to that scientific obstacle.

By making government and industry decision-makers aware of expected hydrological, land surface, biological and oceanographic changes due to climate change, we will elaborate and conduct vulnerability studies, on a regional scale, related to hydroelectric production, marine transportation in ice-infested sectors, vulnerability of municipalities and native communities to climate change as well as an assessment of the sustainability of existing and planned infrastructures located in the Gulf and Estuary of St. Lawrence, Hudson Bay and Ungava Bay watersheds as well in north-eastern Canadian continental basins.

The following team of experts and specialists is identified for this project : Atmospheric and continental components : René Laprise and Daniel Caya (UQAM), Jennifer Milton, Jeanna Goldstein, Manon Faucher, Khanh-Hung Lam (Environment Canada), Vincent Fortin (Institut de recherches électriques du Québec); Estuarine and oceanic components : Francois J. Saucier, Denis Gilbert & François Roy (DFO), Jia Wang (University of Alaska). The project will also involve the participation of PDF Philippe Gachon (DFO), Ph.D. Manon Faucher (UQAM) in addition to 3-4 graduate students throughout the duration of the proposed project as well as the participation of scientific partners (e.g. OURANOS) in the project.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The present project aims at developing regional ice-ocean models of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Hudson Bay that are suited for downscaling climate change scenarios. Since we need to bring the model equilibrium into a future state wherein no observations are available, restoring conditions to observations is not an option. Thus, a fully prognostic model was developed to reproduce the observed conditions over the past five years, a period

over which sufficiently accurate atmospheric forcing was available. The first results are reported in the publications and conferences cited below. Briefly, we have successfully accomplished major steps in overcoming the problems in modelling the synoptic to inter-annual changes in coupled ocean-sea ice conditions: (1) turbulence modelling now includes an energy equation that more accurately reproduces the mixed layer properties and depth over seasons (Smith et al., 2002; Saucier et al., 2002); (2) an elastic-viscous-plastic rheology has been implemented for sea ice dynamics; (3) we have reduced all hydrological and atmospheric forcing data and model results (including IPCC IS92a and b scenarios) for producing simulations over the past and future decades; (4) we have implemented the coupler developed by P. Pellerin at RPN (CMC, MSC) into the Canadian Regional Climate Model (CRCM). The new 10 km Hudson Bay system model has been designed for a straightforward implementation into this coupler. The coupler has already been used for incorporating the Gulf of St. Lawrence model into the Global Environmental Multiscale Model (GEM) Canadian weather forecast model. Preliminary results suggest that sea ice dynamics in the Gulf may change the weather by several degrees C during stormy winter events in eastern Canada (Pellerin et al., 2002;2003).

In the context of climate change, means are necessary to evaluate the range of possible impacts with respect to variations in greenhouse gas and sulphur emissions as well as demographic and economic developments. Climate change scenarios are based on the evaluation and inclusion of these parameters with results from GCM's (Global Climate Models) outputs and represent possible alternatives or story-lines on how the climate may change within the next century. Using the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change « Guidelines on the Use of Scenario Data for Climate Impact and Adaptation Assessment », climate scenarios based on GCMs outputs and LARS-WG Stochastic Weather Generator were developed for areas within the province of Quebec. Analysis of the climate projections (IPCC Data Distribution Centre) was performed using the results of the different climate change intergrations forced with IS92a and SRES (A1, A2, B1 and B2) emission scenarios.

Results for the Saint-Lawrence River area indicate that this region could experience increases in temperature in the order of 3 to 8 °C as a function of period of the year and level of emission forcing. Expected changes in climate and particularly in temperature distributions may thus produce significant impacts on the environment, ecosystems and society. The inclusion of climate scenarios in impact studies should thus be of prime interest for the evaluation of the range and extent of possible changes for such sectors such as agriculture, state of the Saint-Lawrence and other ecosystems as well as human infrastructures.

In order to evaluate the state of hydrological conditions in North-Eastern Quebec and Labrador and to link annual river runoff variability with respect to large-scale systems (Icelandic Low, North Atlantic Oscillation), an analysis of Quebec's northern latitude runoff conditions was performed for the period of 1950-2000. Results reveal that river runoff variability before 1970 is dominated by interannual fluctuations, whereas interdecadal fluctuations seem to underlie the pattern thereafter. Furthermore, evidence suggests that precipitation conditions during winter, and thus river runoff during spring, can be linked to the intensity, structure and spatial localisation of these large-scale systems (Lam, 2002).

Scientific advancements achieved through this PERD project have led to a great interest from several stakeholders such as:
The consortium Ouranos and one of his formal partner (Hydro-Québec) with respect to modelled precipitation in the northern Quebec watershed as well as the development of regional climate change scenarios:

- As demonstrated during the fall of 2001/2002, the late ice cover formation was related to large precipitation events filling the Hydro-Quebec reservoirs. It became clear to Hydro-Quebec that we need a much better understanding of the way the sea ice cover will evolve over the next decades in Hudson Bay, and how this may affect meteorological systems. The sea ice cover controls the formation and trajectories of polar lows over and in the eastern part of Hudson Bay. The sea ice cover reduction there may make more moisture available for precipitation over northern Quebec. The work by Gachon et al. (2002), Gachon and Saucier (2001), have shown that the details of the ice-cover conditions in the fall and early winter control the weather systems moving over the Hydro-Quebec northern reservoirs, and that the coupling between the ocean and the atmosphere is a necessary step toward building scenarios to estimate water availability in northern Quebec over the next century. Through this PERD project, we have recently successfully reproduced the seasonal ice-ocean cycle in Hudson Bay/Foxe Basin and Hudson Strait (Saucier et al., in Climate Dynamics). This new ice-ocean model was made operational in the framework of the CRCM and CLIVAR/CFCAS programs that are ongoing at Ouranos. Dr. Minwei Qian has coupled the ice-ocean model to through fluxes with the atmosphere, and is currently perfoming 5-year simulations of the regional climate (Qian et al., 2003). Note that the Government of Quebec is heavily relying on hydro-electricity for future development and negotiations on emission trading through the Kyoto Protocol. Because of the poor data coverage over years in Hudson Bay, the 2003 mission involving the Canadian Coast Guard ship of opportunity which deployed year-long moorings in the Hudson Bay system will become extremely benefitial to validate the ice-ocean model. Furthermore, since the hydro-electric resources of North-Eastern Quebec and Labrador are greatly dependent upon the precipitation and temperature patterns of the area, Lam (2002), in cooperation with scientists at Hydro-Quebec has studied the role of climatic and large-scale driving forces such as the Arctic High, the Icelandic Low and the polar vortex cycles (represented by the Arctic Oscillation (AO), on the annual river runoff variability patterns from 1951 to 2000. Oil exploration in the Gulf of St. Lawrence is another area of development that is very sensitive to the ice-ocean climate and is in need of long term information about the ocean climate. A meeting with Hydro-Quebec took place to examine the needs of environmental predictions for their planned exploration phase starting in 2003, and initial discussions took place on climate change impacts on eventual operations in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The Canadian Coast Guard with respect to a better understanding of the response of the sea-ice cover to climate change:

- Major efforts by port authorities and both the provincial and federal governments in Quebec, for expanding marine transportation in the St. Lawrence, may benefit from regional climate change scenarios for sea ice cover reduction, and better predictions for extreme events. Major shipping companies establish long term strategies, and those are based on cost/benefit analyses that should make use of climate change scenarios. Note that, yearly, commercial shipping on the St. Lawrence represents an industry 1.9 MM, indirectly leveraging another 3.1 MM, and carrying goods of 17 MM in value (SODES). The development of our capability to model the regional ice-ocean climate also directly provides information on the marine forecasting of sea ice, currents, freezing sprays, and waves, which supports more efficient and safe marine transportation. Oil exploration in the Gulf of St. Lawrence is another area of development that is very sensitive to the ice-ocean climate and has needs for long-term information.

The consortium Ouranos involved several impacts and adaptation researchers devoted to water resources, coastal erosion and permafrost in the North (Quebec Civil Protection Agency) and conflicting economic, environmental and social uses in the South:

Coupled ice-ocean regional climate models for the Estuary and Gulf of St. Lawrence, and Hudson Bay and Foxe Bassin have been developed with the aim of increasing our predicting capacity taking to account the possibility of downscaling climate change scenarios. The main results are reported in Saucier et al. (2003), Saucier et al. (2002), Senneville and Saucier (2002), and Smith et al. (2002). The coupling phase between ice-ocean models and the Canadian Regional Climate Model was achieved by Faucher (2002), Faucher et al. (2002, 2003), Gachon et al. (2002), Gachon (2001), Charpentier (2002), and Qian et al. (2003). The offline coupling of the Gulf of St. Lawrence model (Saucier et al., 2002c) was achieved over a complete seasonal cycle by Charpentier (2002). The Gulf of St. Lawrence ice-ocean model is fully coupled into the Global Environmental Multi-scale forecast model (operational Canadian weather forecast model). Pellerin et al. (in Monthly Weather Review) have demonstrated that the use of the fully interactive atmosphere-ice-ocean model improves the forecast skill for temperature, cloud cover, winds and sea ice dynamics on the Canadian east Coast. Significant efforts have been devoted to develop a rigourous methodology in the development and the use of climate change scenarios for the province of Quebec. Climate change scenarios are based on the evaluation and inclusion of these parameters with results from GCM's (Global Climate Models) outputs and represent possible alternatives or story-lines on how the climate may change within the next century. Using the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change « Guidelines on the Use of Scenario Data for Climate Impact and Adaptation Assessment », climate scenarios based on GCMs outputs and LARS-WG Stochastic Weather Generator were developed for areas within the province of Quebec (Goldstein, 2002). Analysis of the climate projections (IPCC Data Distribution Centre) was performed using the results of the

- different climate change integrations forced with IS92a and SRES (A1, A2, B1 and B2) emission scenarios. Results of that work regularly updated into the CRIACC web site (www.criacc.qc.ca) were used in other sectors (agriculture) and therefore could benefit to complementary research studies (Bourgeois et al, 2001). With respect to coastal erosion, the recent warm winters occurring in the Estuary and Gulf of St Lawrence resulted into less severe sea ice regime. Coastal regions were strongly flooded and eroded by surface waves and storm surges that were not as usually dampened by the land fast and first year ice that is usually present to protect the shore. For instance, the main highway along the southern coast of the Estuary runs along the shore and was frequently flooded during storms and high tides. On the North shore near large river estuaries, the sediment has been largely redistributed due to changes in the winter wave climate. This is important to infrastructure but also to attribute the correct cause of these changes as these rivers have had their peak flows being reduced though recent hydro-electric development. Several meetings have taken place with the provincial stakeholders to define the different regional problems, examine the past record, and plan the use of our the regional sea ice climate scenarios in controlling the set-up and propagation of surface waves and surges into the sensitive areas, in collaboration with K. Thompson at Dalhousie University. The daily forecast and climate change scenarios enter into the new operational high-resolution wind-wave models developed by Jacob et al. (2002) for the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The sea ice effects on wave generation and dissipation are accounted for, which provide a new powerful tool to downscale the wave climate to coastal regions with reduced sea ice cover due to global warming.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $168,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 59.9% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.7.

Climate Change and Offshore Design Criteria

Project Manager: Val Swail

Project Objectives

This project is linked to the PERD OEF Wind and Wave Design Criteria project which produces many of the hindcast data bases used in this analysis. The project is also linked to a joint project with the Netherlands Meteorological Institute (KNMI) on a global wave reanalysis, and to work being carried out by the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (OGP). The project is also coordinated with a second joint project with the US Army Corps of Engineers on wave climate indicators.

The International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) lists as one of its key issues "climate variability and its impact on offshore structure design", in particular to investigate storm trend and variability and to quantify whether apparent changes in mean and maximum values of wave height or number of storms were real trends or parts of a cyclical variation in the establishment of metocean design criteria, with particular emphasis on capital and operating cost reductions while maintaining responsible levels of safety. (reference:http://www.ogp.org.uk/committees/metoc/index.html). The objective of the joint project with the Netherlands Meteorological Institute is to help us describe wind, wave and storm variability on a global basis.

This project benefits EC since the determination of long term trend and variability in wind, wave and storm climatology is an important objective of the Climate Research Branch.

Methodology

The primary goal of this research project is to reduce the uncertainty concerning the potential impacts of climate change, in particular the frequency and/or intensity of extreme storms, on the wind and wave design criteria off the east coast of Canada. In order to achieve this goal the R&D plan has three important components:

- To homogenize wind and wave data sets from various observational and hindcast sources into a consistent, long term time series of wind, wave and storm data;
- To analyze those homogeneous time series for trends and variability and;
- To translate those research results into potential impacts on design criteria.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Work has been progressing ahead of schedule on this project, relative to the original project proposal. A significant change in the project scope has been the additional levering of Departmental A-Base resources to carry out related work on climate change scenarios through the 21st century, specifically dealing with expected changes in wind speed and wave height, and more recently the initiation of investigation into innovative new techniques for determining changes in extreme value analysis.

Outputs and Goals for 2001 to 2005 include:

- 2001/02- Report and presentation to oil industry and regulators on climate trend and variability – deliverable exceeded: (see list of publications and presentations) which has been expanded to include marine climate change scenario publications;

- 2002/03- Assessment of homogeneity of trends in extreme storms from hindcast and measurement. A series of papers relating to impacts of marine climate change and variability on offshore design criteria have been presented at 7th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting, co-sponsored by PERD POL 1.2.1;

- 2004/05- Non-technical summary report for policy makers on storm trends, their impacts on design criteria, and their expected vulnerability to climate change;

- Journal articles on future extreme wave climate projections based on GCM model predictions for the 21st century, and innovative new extremal analysis techniques; invited paper on historical global wave variability at WMO CLIMAR-II conference.

This is a relatively small project, whose initial objective was to investigate historical observed and hindcast wind and wave data bases, homogenize them where necessary and feasible, carry out statistical analysis to determine climate trend and variability, and translate those results into potential impacts on future design criteria. Due to additional levering of Departmental resources, and important partnerships such as those with KNMI, the project has produced much more than expected, including global analyses rather than merely regional, analysis of multiple climate scenarios to the year 2100, a detailed time slice analysis of future climates, and ground breaking research on non-stationary extremal analysis and applying these innovative techniques to project possible future changes in climate extremes and hence design criteria. The results will be reported in scientific journals, technical workshops, industry forums, and international reports (World Meteorological Organization).

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $194,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 29.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, industry, others such as Netherlands Met. Inst., US Army). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.4.

Impacts of Evolving Ice Conditions on the Energy Sector

Project Manager: Tom Agnew

Project Objectives

This project does not stem from a previous PERD project. The work is part of the Climate Change Modeling and Impacts within MSC. The main objective of this project is to provide detailed assessment and interpretation of recent sea ice cover trends over Canadian marine areas of importance to hydrocarbon development and transportation and to provide guidance to the oil and gas industry on the implications of these trends.

This project benefits EC since it contributes to understanding regional changes in climate and potential impacts on the petroleum and transportation industry in northern Canada.

Methodology

The objective of this project will be reached by:

- Documenting and evaluating a new regional sea ice data dataset to determine how regional sea ice trends in Canada differ from sea ice trends in other circumpolar countries;

- Developing a regional arctic climate model of Canadian Arctic Islands, Hudson Bay and Eastern Canada.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

A report has been prepared on the evaluation of the CIS ice charts database comparing it to the most widely accepted international satellite dataset of sea ice extent.

The work accomplished by this project has led to a publication comparing the ice chart data to satellite data published in the journal Atmosphere-Ocean.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $198,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 54.6% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.8.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Climate Sector

Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector

Changes in Sea Ice Cover

Critical Aspects of Changes in Sea Ice Cover on Energy Production

Project Managers: Tom Carrières and Tom Agnew

Project Objectives

This project follows some of the directions of a project that focused on digitizing CIS ice charts to provide data on sea ice trends in Canada. *Critical Aspects of Changes in Sea Ice Cover on Energy Production* will be moving to POL 1.2.3 Marine Transportation and Safety in 2004. The project is part of a loose collaboration with the project managed by Tom Agnew *Impacts of Evolving Ice conditions on the Energy Sector.*

The main objective of this project is to provide an indication of how sea ice conditions will evolve over the next 25 years.

This research assists CIS by providing us with information we can share with our clients. It also provides us with models that can be used to support our sea ice operations.

Methodology

The project downscales GCM results to the regional scale in order to have a better picture of how sea ice will evolve. The main emphasis is on determining how to downscale GCM forcing, to develop higher resolution coupled ice-ocean models and to develop techniques to interpret huge volumes of data.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The main output of this project will be a report that attempts to indicate how sea ice conditions will evolve over the next 25 years. Secondary results will be journal publications, conference presentations and finally coupled ice-ocean models that will be implemented at CIS. The project is on target and will conclude this segment on time.

The greatest success of the project is to bring together the experts and expertise required to run the project. A scientific steering committee comprised of people from different components of MSC and DFO labs met twice a year and resolved many technical issues. The other significant success is that the results from this project will provide the necessary input to follow-on projects funded through CCAF.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $64,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 84.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.2.

Canadian Participation in FIRE III/SHEBA

Project Manager: George Isaac

Project Objectives

A previous PERD project on this topic was funded from 1996 to 2001. It covered the field phase for the Canadian participation in FIREIII or the FIRE Arctic Cloud Experiment (FIRE.ACE) as it became to be known. This project was part of a larger U.S. led project which combined both the FIRE.ACE project (NASA based) and the SHEBA project (NSF based).

This work will enable us to better understand Climate Change in the Arctic Environment where climate feedback effects and temperature changes are predicted to be the largest (Boer et al., 1992), and where little information is presently available. Also, as stated by Randall et al (1998), the larger uncertainty in the climate simulations occurs due to unsolved problems regarding to the physical and microphysical processes that occur in Arctic stratiform clouds.

This project has provided access to a large U.S. funded climate change project and ultimately better policy advice for Canada on climate change.

Methodology

The Canadian component of FIRE.ACE was to fund aircraft flights over the SHEBA ground site locked into the Arctic ice pack. An NRC Convair 580 was used for this purpose and it was extensively instrumented by the Meteorological Service of Canada for making cloud microphysical and air quality measurements. The subsequent data has been used to develop parameterizations for climate and weather forecasting models, and to verify those models in the Arctic environment.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Papers have been written for the special Journal of Geophysical Research (JGR) issues on FIRE and SHEBA. Several journal papers have already been accepted to Geophysical Research Letters, Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics, the Journal of Climate, the International Journal of Climate, Annalen Geophysica, and the Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society. The data set is being actively used by many individuals doing studies on better parameterizations of clouds and aerosols within Climate Models and Weather Forecasting Models and work have been presented at several international meetings,

Even after PERD funding ended, the data set is being used by many Canadian and U.S. researchers trying to better understand the role of Arctic clouds in our climate system. During course of the project, 17 journal articles (see item 8) and over 32 conference presentations were produced.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $323,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 35.0% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.9.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Climate Sector

Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector

Cold-Regions Hydrologic Processes and Extreme Events

Climate Change Impacts on Cold-Regions Hydrologic Processes and Extreme Events Associated with the Hydro-Electric and Oil/Gas Industries in Western and Northern Canada

Project Managers: Terry Prowse and Philip Marsh

Project Objectives

The original PERD project was only initiated with funding in July 1999 and was merged with another study by P. Marsh into the new 2001 PERD POL program. Some of the objectives (e.g., glacier resources) from this 1999-2000 project were not undertaken because the project was only funded at 27% of the request level. Furthermore, they do not form part of the 2001 POL PERD program which has been expanded to include impacts on the energy sector (oil and gas: Mackenzie Delta and arctic lake/river ice) in Arctic Canada. This project stems from work conducted as part of the EC Northern Rivers Basin Study (NRBS) and the subsequent EC Northern Rivers Ecosystem Initiative (NREI). It also has strong links with the Climate Change Action Fund (CCAF) projects, Polar Continental Shelf Project (PCSP) and the Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences (CFCAS). Collaborative work also ensued with DIAND Water Resources Division in Yellowknife.

The objectives of the proposed work are to improve our understanding of the climatological and hydrological factors that affect energy production and transmission, particularly hydro-electric power in western Canada, and oil and gas development in northwestern Canada. Through a climate model based approach, this study quantifed the effects of a changing climate, particularly extreme hydrological events and changes in permafrost, on energy production and transmission. As well initial steps were taken with respect to adaptation to climate change through the development of an operating strategy for hydro-electric facilities under future climate-change conditions to control downstream extreme events and minimize water-resource conflicts.

This study builds on EC's research into the effects of climate change on hydrology and aquatic ecosystems, a major research project of the National Water Research Institute (NWRI). By linking with the hydro-electric industry and oil/gas development, it also creates unique adaptation strategies whereby the effects of climate change might be reduced on vulnerable ecosystems. This work falls within EC's accountability framework that builds the climate-change ecosystem impact case for the Nature result which deals with impacts on the health of ecosystems (e.g. understanding and reversing habitat loss) and ensures that priority ecosystems are conserved and restored. More specifically, this project falls within NWRI's Aquatic Ecosystem Impacts Research Branch (AEIRB) which is in turn part of the Environmental Conservation Service (ECS) of EC.

Methodology

The research fell under three broad project components:

- Changes to western Canada snow and ice resources re: hydro-electric industry: A Microsoft Access snow depth and snow water equivalent (SWE) database was previously created for western Canada. Updates have been made to

- include stations with long-term records that can be used for trend analysis of snow conditions over the cordillera. Temperature, hydrometric and hydrocryospheric data were interpreted to determine mid-winter warming events and their impacts on river ice regimes. Global Climate Models (GCMs) were used to evaluate current and future climate periods.

- The Snowmelt Runoff Model (SRM) was used for predicting future changes in snow cover using GCM temperature and precipitation values as input.

- Simulations with the WATFLOOD distributed hydrological model were performed on a total of 16 long-term flow-gauging stations within the Peace River Basin; and

- An empirical methodology was developed to assess climate impacts on the frequency and severity of ice-jam flood events on hydro-electric regulated rivers.

- Freshwater ice changes re: oil and gas exploration/development:
  Evaluation of GCM outputs for replication of northern climatic conditions continued and the development of a suite of future temperature and precipitation scenarios for northern Canada based on GCM output ensued. Also, evaluating the implementation of an ice growth model for application in northern latitudes and current theories regarding the bearing strength of ice for transportation continued.

- High-Latitutde hydrologic changes re: oil and gas exploration/development:
  Evaluation of high-latitude hydrologic changes from past changes in climate and hydrology, validation of existing hydrologic models (including WATFLOOD), utilization of solar radiation and wind flow models, testing WatClass (a modified version of the Canadian Land Surface Scheme (CLASS)) and consideration of the factors controlling the stability of permafrost dammed lakes and the relationship to climate carried through.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

Improving our understanding of the climatological and hydrological factors that affect energy production and transmission, particularly hydro-electric power in western Canada:

Historical changes to regional distribution of alpine snow and ice resources were analyzed for trends and variability in monthly (October to April) snow depth values for the periods 1915-1999 (19 stations) and 1950-1999 (62 stations). Mid-winter warming events and associated hydrologic pulse events that can induce river ice-jam events and thus adversely affect hydro-electric production were examined. The 1961-1990 climatological values of monthly mean temperature and total precipitation from seven GCMs (recommended by the IPCC) were assessed in their ability to replicate current observed climate over the western cordillera of Canada; and, four of the seven GCMs were chosen for future climate scenarios over the western cordillera for:

- two different greenhouse-gas emission scenarios for the 30-year periods centred on the 2050s and the 2080s.

- SRM simulations estimating changes in snowcover for three elevation bands, indicated that the upper elevation bands would be removed by approximately 20 days earlier than under present conditions; and, the lower elevation band snow would only cover 10% of the area at the end of March in the future compared to 70% under present conditions.

- WATFLOOD model calibration for the period 1961-90 continued and predictions for future climate impact in this region resulted in hydrographs showing a substantial reduction in flow, particularly during the spring period. Although changes in temperature and precipitation were applied uniformly across the entire Peace-Athabasca basin, sub-basin response were not uniform. This leads us to conclude that certain regions in the basin may be more sensitive to average changes in precipitation and temperature than others. Simulated inflows into the Williston reservoir were also extracted and results from the 5 GCMs used in this analysis indicated a reduction between 20 to 40 percent. The SRM also allows for estimation of runoff from alpine areas. Its application in the Liard River basin will complement the more detailed modeling schemes being applied to other areas of the Western Cordillera.

- Using air temperature and precipitation from CGCM1 (Canadian General Circulation Model version 1), it was determined that for the period centering on the 2080s, that the frequency of ice-jam floods would be further reduced mainly because of reduced snowpack. Under this scenario no attempt was made to calculate snowpack reductions due to mid-winter melt. An update of this analysis under more advanced GCM predictions (i.e. CGCM2) is underway. Having established the hydro-climatic conditions leading to ice-jam flooding, and with a preliminary indication as to future hydro-climatic conditions, we can now begin to investigate options for regulation strategies that will address the dual objective of maximizing hydro-electric production under future climate-change conditions and minimizing downstream hydrologic impacts.

Improving our understanding of the climatological and hydrological factors that affect energy production and transmission with regards to oil and gas development in northwestern Canada:

16 future GCM scenarios of daily temperature and precipitation for 40 Arctic stations were assessed for a range of potential future changes to freshwater ice regimes in various regions within northern Canada. A temperature-index model allowed for an initial assessment using only temperature and precipitation parameters provided by the GCMs. The Canadian Lake Ice Model (CLIMo) was also further validated for northern conditions using hydro-climatic data from Baker Lake, Nunavut. Since this model is more physically based and such outputs as relative humidity and cloud cover have not yet been evaluated from the GCMs, the focus will be more on index modeling for future climate-change based predictions. Some progress was also made on incorporating white-ice formation algorithms into the

- temperature-index model, thus allowing to model changes in cover composition and not just thickness.

- We have carried out a synthesis of past changes in hydrologic regime in northwestern Canada (Marsh *et al.*, in press), and validated models for predicting changes in the hydrologic regime in the northern Mackenzie region. Initial model validation, using Watflood is complete, as are validation studies using two wind flow models, and a radiation model. Additional studies applying WATCLASS to the Inuvik research basins is well underway and will be published this year. In addition, work suggests that the rate of lake drainage is related to climate, with increased drainage in the Richards Island and Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, where gas development is proposed, would be expected to have much larger discharge during rapid drainage. The issue of rapid lake drainage has two components. First it is possible that gas development and production could increase the rate of lake drainage through disturbance of the active layer, and second, rapid lake drainage could have significant effects on pipelines through much larger discharge than expected. In addition, since lake drainage may not occur through the regular channel outlet, rapid drainage can result in the creation of new channels that can be in the order of 10 m wide and 5 m deep. Ongoing work suggests that the rate of lake drainage would increase under a warmer and wetter climate.

Examples of project successes include:

- As described in Prowse *et al.* (2002d), recent research has found that most of the ecologically important floods affecting the Peace-Athabasca Delta (PAD) are produced by spring ice jams. Spring flow-release strategies of the upstream hydro-electric reservoir were modified to increase the probability of ice-jam flooding near the PAD employing non-structural measures. Favorable conditions in the spring of 1996 were prevalent allowing flooding, and the PAD experienced its first major flood in over 20 years. This has been identified as an adaptation measure whereby regulated rivers can be 'modified' to ameliorate some negative effects of climate change.

- Work has demonstrated ongoing changes to climate in the lower Mackenzie, with spring breakup for example occurring much earlier in the spring.

- Preliminary work has provided the first documented description of the processes and maximum flow rates occurring from permafrost dammed lakes.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $801,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 15.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and others such as NREI, CCAF II, PCSP, NEI, CFCAS, DIAND/INAC). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 6.5.

Profiles by Strategic Intent

Climate Sector

Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector

Climate of Western Canada

Critical Aspects of the Climate of Western Canada for the Energy Industry

Project Manager: Kit Szeto

Project Objectives

This project does not stem from a previous PERD project. Part of the work for this project is closely related to the research of the Mackenzie GEWEX Study (MAGS) research network (NSERC and EC supported). The objective of this work is to provide detailed assessments and interpretations of our capabilities to simulate climatic conditions (including precipitation, clouds and temperature) over several areas of western Canada (including much of the Prairies and the Mackenzie basin) of importance to the energy industry and to provide guidance to the energy industry of the implications of the findings.

This project contributes to EC climate change objectives by enhancing our knowledge of the water and energy cycles in western Canadian regions, and the application of the improved knowledge to assess the current capability, and to provide recommendations for the future improvement, of our regional climate model.

Methodology

This project addresses major issues of concern to the energy industry over parts of western Canada. Global climate models are essentially unanimous in their predictions for this region: higher temperatures, less but changing patterns of precipitation, and probably more 'extreme events'. Critical questions to be considered include: will such conditions actually occur and how does this affect the energy industry? The key to addressing these questions include enhancing our understanding of the processes that are responsible for the climate variability and extremes for the region, as well as critically assessing the accuracy of current climate models in representing these climate processes when they are used to simulate past climate conditions.

The water and energy budgets for regions of western Canada were calculated from several independent climate datasets (including operational observations, assimilated datasets from different centers and remote-sensing data). This dataset serves as a baseline dataset for studying the water and energy cycle for the region as well as a validation dataset for regional climate models. The climate processes responsible for the variability and extremes of climate conditions for the regions were studied by examining the budgets for anomalous periods (e.g. anomalously warm winters, summer drought, etc.). Climate simulations using the latest (third) version of the Canadian Regional Climate Model (CRCM III) were performed and validated against the water and energy budget dataset. A rigorous evaluation of several parameters of interest to hydroelectric and renewable energy (wind, solar) energy clients was conducted. These parameters include precipitation, evaporation, temperature, wind and cloudiness.

Results of this effort are a quantitative assessment of the degree to which our regional climate model represents the regional water and energy cycle under different conditions. This assessment will then be used to assist the evaluation of aspects of climate scenarios (and in turn climate impacts studies) of importance to hydroelectric and renewable energy interests in the Prairies.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The goals of the project include:

- The development of a comprehensive water and energy budget estimates for regions of western Canada;
- Enhancing our understanding of processes governing the climate variability and extremes for the region; and
- Assessing the accuracy of current climate models in simulating past climate conditions for the region, and make use of this knowledge to make recommendations for future improvements of climate models, and to help the energy sector in the interpretation of climate change scenario.

Status and outputs of the project include:

- The development of a comprehensive baseline estimate of the water and energy budgets for the Mackenzie Basin;
- Multi-year CRCM simulations of climate conditions for western Canada;
- An improved understanding of processes governing the climate variability and extremes for the Mackenzie Basin and the Prairies;
- Critical validations of the CRCM simulations with the dataset developed and the use of the improved knowledge developed to diagnose the reasons for short-comings in the model results; and
- Conference/workshop presentations and publications documenting the scientific results from this work.

In the coming year, the water and energy budget calculations will be extended to the Canadian Prairies. We will examine the processes that are important in the development of drought for the region, as well as critically assess how well the CRCM can simulate these conditions.

Through the work in this project, we identified serious short-comings in our CRCM simulations of climate conditions for western Canada. Through the enhanced understanding of processes governing the climate of western Canada that are developed in this research, we were able to diagnose the causes of these short-comings in the model. We are thus able to make specific recommendations on how to significantly improve our future models and their climate change projections, especially for regions that are of particularly importance to the energy industry in Canada, such as the Mackenzie Basin and the Canadian Prairies.

In addition, the work of this project contributes significantly to the objectives of both the MAGS project, as well as international GEWEX (Global Energy and Water cycle Experiment), through the development of the comprehensive water and energy budget estimates for the Mackenzie Basin, and through the elucidation of physical processes that govern the climate of northern continental regions.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $150,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 50% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.0.

Snow Water Equivalent Variations in Western Canada and Climate Change Related Impacts for Hydropower Production

Project Manager: Anne Walker

Project Objectives

This project does not stem from a previous PERD project. The current work complements similar research that is being conducted by CRB in the Mackenzie GEWEX Study (MAGS) and the associated scientific collaborations and leveraging. The project also complements CRB satellite snow cover algorithm research that is being conducted within the Canadian EOS project CRYSYS (Variability and Change in the Cryospheric System in Canada). Field data collection campaigns in support of this PERD project are being coordinated with field studies and campaigns that are planned within the CRYSYS project.

The objectives of this project are:

- To create a 20-year time series (1979-1999) of satellite-derived snow water equivalent over selected basins in western Canada that are of key importance to hydropower production;
- Analyze the spatial and temporal variations in snow water equivalent depicted in the time series and determine the vulnerability of hydropower facilities during the 20 year period to provide a baseline for future expected changes;
- Using future climate scenarios based on output from the Canadian global climate model (GCM), develop scenarios of change in SWE and assess the expected impacts of these changes on hydropower operations over the next 50-100 years, and;
- Conduct a preliminary assessment of the feasibility of incorporating satellite-derived SWE into regional climate modeling.

This project benefits EC because it enhances our understanding of the climate system and improves our ability to forecast future climate, as well as establishing close collaboration between major energy generating companies and EC.

Methodology

The work that is being conducted within this PERD investigation can be summarized as follows:

- Generate a validated 20 year SWE time series at a 25 km spatial resolution for western Canada using Nimbus-7 SMMR and DMSP SSM/I satellite microwave radiometer data sets covering the period 1979-2003;

Examine the temporal and spatial variations in derived SWE over the 20 year time series for selected basins of interest to hydroelectric power companies in western Canada (i.e., Manitoba Hydro and NWT Power); produce a report documenting the

- associated impacts and vulnerabilities of hydropower production with respect to these variations ;

- Compare the spatial and temporal SWE patterns/trends over the 20 year time series to temperature and precipitation data sets and assess relationships between derived SWE and these climate elements; produce a report documenting the 20 year time series as a "baseline" climate;

- Examine climate scenarios (based on global climate model output) for the next 50-100 years for predicted changes in temperature and precipitation over western Canada and determine potential changes in snow cover and SWE over the region for the same time period; produce a report outlining expected impacts of the changes in SWE on hydropower operations over the next 50-100 years;

- Conduct a preliminary investigation of potential enhancements of SWE retrievals from EOS Aqua AMSR data and potential use of satellite derived SWE in hydrological and climate (global and regional) modelling for model validation/initialization; prepare a report documenting results of this investigation.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

The major activity for this year has been the planning and execution of a snow cover field validation campaign focussed on the verification of a high SWE zone (SWE > 100 mm) that appears consistently each winter season in northern Manitoba between Gillam and Churchill. Since snow cover measurements are not routinely conducted in this region, this field campaign was considered essential to provide valuable information on the snow cover characteristics in northern Manitoba and provide the means to evaluate the passive microwave satellite SWE retrievals. This is a necessary step before continuing with the analysis of the temporal and spatial variations in SWE depicted in the 25-year historical data set. Since Manitoba Hydro is interested in knowing snow cover amounts in this part of Manitoba for managing hydropower operations, they have been collaborating with CRB in the planning and execution of this field campaign by providing logistics and manpower support from their Thompson, Manitoba office. At the end of November 2003, ground-based (by road vehicle) and helicopter-based (helicopter time donated by Manitoba Hydro) snow surveys were conducted from Thompson to Gillam (by road) and from Gillam to Churchill (by helicopter) to acquire measurements of early winter snow conditions. A second field campaign is currently underway with a focus on maximum winter season snow cover conditions.

In January 2004, transitional funding for 2004/05 was awarded for this project in order to complete the remaining objectives: Report on SWE time series analysis as a "baseline study"; report on expected impacts of the changes in SWE on hydropower operations over the next 50-100 years; report on preliminary investigation of potential enhancements of SWE retrievals from AMSR data and potential use of satellite derived SWE in hydrological and regional climate modelling.

A major success from this project is the enhanced collaborative relationship that has developed with Manitoba Hydro. Manitoba Hydro is quite pleased with the work that we are doing to derive information from the passive microwave satellite data on SWE conditions in this region -- the SWE maps that we provide them with in near real time during the winter have become an essential information source for their operations. They have been eager to collaborate with us in whatever way they can to help validate and improve our techniques. They were active participants in the planning and execution of our snow cover field measurement campaign in Northern Manitoba this past winter, providing both manpower and helicopter time to support the field data collection activities.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $115,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 26.1% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.8.

Changes in Cloud Cover over North America for Solar Energy Development in Canada

Project Manager: Sunling Gong

Project Objectives

This project does not stem from a previous PERD project and is not part of a bigger project. The main objective of the work is to provide information on the impacts of climate change on the availability of solar energy in Canada. Specific sub-objectives are:

- Establish the scientific tools to study the impact of cloud changes on the solar energy availability across Canada under various climate change scenarios;
- Investigate the current cloud cover patterns and trends over Canada for the future climates under various emission scenarios;
- Study the impacts of climate change on the availability of solar energy in Canada using the tool developed by taking into account more detailed emission information in Canada;
- Improve the high-resolution regional cloud mechanism in the NARCM (Northern Aerosol Regional Climate Model) in order to reasonably forecast cloud cover patterns in the North American continent.

Social adaptation to a changing environment can be difficult and costly, so some ways must be found to minimize the adverse effects of human activities on the environment and hence on resources. This project, by providing some results simulated by a Regional Climate Model (RCM) for cloud cover, surface solar radiation as well as precipitation of the 1990s and 2080s in North America, gives a map of how the main climate elements change in the last decade and in the future. These efforts, by cooperating with industry, would be a scientific basis for the future solar energy development in Canada. Meanwhile, EC would get credit and funds support from industry to do continued research into climate change and trends.

Methodology

Among all atmospheric parameters, cloud cover is the dominant factor for determining the solar radiation reaching at the earth surface. Therefore, it is necessary to investigate the changes in cloud cover associated with the global climate change, especially in Canada, and how such cloud cover changes interact with the change in climate. A previous PERD project on anthropogenic aerosol and climate, has resulted in a significant improvement in simulation of aerosol and cloud in Canadian climate models (GCM and NARCM), by including a size-segregated multi-component aerosol module CAM (Canadian Aerosol Module). The present research proposes to apply the previous research results on aerosol and clouds to study the regional cloud coverage patterns in North America and to estimate the impact of cloud changes due to the global climate changes on the solar energy production industry in Canada. The project can be divided into the following several parts:

- Collection of observed data/reanalysis data:

- Cloud cover observation data: The data is product of ISCCP (International Satellite Cloud Climate Program). It includes 10-years global cloud cover data in 1990s on a monthly time scale with a resolution of about 2.5 latitude by 2.5 longitude. This data will be analyzed to investigate the cloud cover change trend and pattern in North America, especially in Canada, during that decade and be used to compare with NARCM simulation.

- Precipitation data: monthly averaged precipitation data which merges gauge, 5 kinds of satellite estimates (GPI, OPI, SSM/I scattering, SSM/1 emission and MSU) and numerical model predictions during 1990s.

- The surface solar radiation flux data between 1990 to 1995 (in W/m^2) is calculated by using a complete radiative transfer model and observations of the physical properties of the surface on ISCCP data sets.

- NCEP Reanalysis surface temperature data is provided by the NOAA-CIRES Climate Diagnostics Center, Boulder, Colorado, U.S.A., from their Web site at http://www.cdc.noaa.gov.

- Model simulations for present climate and comparison with observation: NCAR/NCEP reanalysis data as lateral boundary condition, the high-resolution regional climate model, NARCM, with/without size-distributed aerosols module have been run for 1990s to test the model and to provide a preliminary image of the spatial and temporal distribution of current cloud coverage in North America. Our emphasis is placed on the aerosol-cloud interaction processes. The results had been compared with the observation data in different climate regions in North America to test, and finally improve the simulation and prediction of the regional climate model. On the basis of all these experiments and analyses, the scientific tools for studying the impact of cloud changes on the solar energy availability in Canada under various climate change scenarios has been basically established.

- Climate simulation for 2080s:
  The reliable projections of future emissions are very important to reliable predictions of future climates. The tools of climate models are used with future scenarios of forcing agents (e.g., greenhouse gases and aerosols) as input to make a suite of projected future climate changes that illustrates the possibilities that could lie ahead. In this part, NARCM, driven by the results of Climate System Model (CSM) of NCAR, is selected to run for 7 years during 2080s under IPCC SRES A1 scenario. The A1 scenario family describes a future world of very rapid economic growth, global population that peaks in mid-century and declines thereafter, and the rapid introduction of new and more efficient technologies. This numerical experiment scheme is designed to address the issue how the climate elements will change in 2080s.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- NARCM (Northern Aerosols Regional Climate Model) has been used to simulate the cloud cover, surface solar radiation, precipitation and surface temperature in North America from 1990 to 1995. Two 6-year simulations, with aerosols and without aerosols, are evaluated and compared with observed spatial pattern and regional mean. The results indicate that NARCM correctly captures the overall observed patterns and magnitude of cloud cover and surface solar radiation over most regions of North America. As compared to the original RCM without interactive aerosols, some apparent improvements are achieved with a better simulation of the high-latitude cloudiness, area-averaged cloudiness and surface solar radiation. The model is also found to reasonably depict the precipitation and surface temperature distributions.

- On the basis of the present climate simulation, NARCM is integrated for 7 years in 2080s under IPCC SRES A1 scenario. Compared with the simulation of 1990s, the simulation for 2080s shows some different features in the climate elements mentioned above, such as high latitude warming especially in northeast of Canada and Greenland, as well as decreasing precipitation in most parts of Canada.

All simulations about this project have been done. The paper about present climate simulation has been written and will be submitted to a journal in the near future. The paper about future climate change is in process and finished very soon.

For the present climate, two model versions ONN (with aerosols) and OFFN (without aerosols) had been used to simulate the main climate elements, such as cloudiness, surface solar radiation and precipitation. It is very obvious that ONN gives a better description of cloud cover in North America. This suggests that:

- Anthropogenic aerosols have obvious impacts on climate change;

- Climate models should take the aerosols radiative effect into account, especially in long term climate simulation.

According to the simulation for present climate:

- Cloud cover changes relatively little with an increase in land areas (especially in west USA and high latitude) and a decrease in oceans;

- Surface solar radiation (SSR) increases in most parts of Canada and south central USA; SSR decreases in east coast of USA, Greenland, west coast of North America, especially in west coast of USA.;

- Surface air temperature (SAT) increases in Greenland and most part of Canada, especially in Northeast of Canada. This result is consistent with GCMs simulation; SAT decreases in other areas especially in whole USA with an exception in south central USA;

- Most parts of Canada would experience a decreasing precipitation in 2080s; Greenland, West and East of USA would get more precipitation in 2080s.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $182,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 56.0% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.8.

Climate and Energy in the Toronto-Niagara Region (Integration of Science and Policy)

Project Manager: Brad Bass, Heather Auld and Joan Klaassen

Project Objectives

This project stems from a previous PERD project looking at the impacts of climate change on the energy sector in the Toronto-Niagara Region. This work is one contribution to a larger study on the impacts of climate change in the Toronto-Niagara Region. The larger project is also under the direction of AIRG and the project lead is Brian Mills. The work is also part of a larger MSC-Ontario Region study on atmospheric and climatic hazards, critical infrastructure and climate change, led by Joan Klaassen. This has included previous work on natural gas energy demand and winter climate variability and change, electrical demand and summer climate variability and change, IJC sponsored studies on hydroelectricity potential on Lake Ontario and climate variability and change and risks to transmission and electrical distribution lines.There were 6 related sub-objectives of the proposed work:

- To assess the vulnerability of the energy sector (production, transmission and demand) in the Toronto-Niagara Region to climate variability and extreme weather;
- To assess the impacts of climate change on the energy fuel cycle (generation, transmission, and demand) in the Toronto-Niagara Region, in consultation with stakeholders;
- To create regional climate change scenarios for the Toronto-Niagara Region;
- To assess changes in the energy sector that are driven by emissions policies (e.g. deregulation, air quality, Canada Wide Standards, climate change policies) and the vulnerability of a changing system to the impacts of a climate change;
- To assess, in a preliminary manner, the relative abatement costs and ancillary benefits of GHG plus related emission reductions in the energy sector for the Toronto-Niagara Region; and
- To communicate scientific and technical information on the climate – energy relationship to regional stakeholders and policy makers, and engage them in formulating a plan for a sustainable energy system in the Toronto-Niagara Region.

This project benefits EC by:

- Assisting EC in helping the relevant make better decisions with regard to energy for the future;

- Raising profile of EC with energy sector stakeholders and with PERD;
- Developing new partnerships between EC, industry, NGOs and academia;
- Developing new tools for EC to use in other research;
- Developing new results for publication to raise profile of EC research in academic community;
- Providing baseline research for the development of tools to better predict severe ice storms (peer-reviewed paper pending in Weather and Forecasting journal);
- Contributing valuable information for all municipalities in Ontario in planning emergency response and management under legislated requirements for the Ontario Emergency Management Act (2003);
- Enhancing relationships and credibility between EC, federal government and province of Ontario;
- Contributes to EC-Ontario Region Clean Air and Climate Change Strategy;
- Contributes information for the Canada-US Border Airshed Management Study.

Methodology
Objectives and goals of this project will be achieved by:

- Synoptic climatology to develop scenarios, development of downscaling methodology for extreme precipitation events, refinement of synoptic map typing methodologies to include interpolated higher atmosphere fields;
- Consultation with stakeholders;
- Construction of optimization model to assess the integrated effect of policy and climate change on the energy sector under different GHG emission targets.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story
The work on the scenarios is largely completed. We are moving towards a stakeholder workshop to share and validate the results and to identify remaining gaps to address in the final year. The workshop will highlight the following research:

- Impact of climate change on the generation, transmission and distribution;
- Impact of freezing rain on distribution infrastructure, including transmission;
- Impact of emissions on health;

- The Canadian Regional Energy Model;
- Temperature-Energy Demand curves for climate change;
- The impact of climate change and emissions policies on the energy sector.

The project's successes include:

- The Canadian Regional Energy Mode;
- Input to Ontario Region Clean Air and Climate Change Strategy, to Canada-US Border Airshed Management Study;
- New tools for weather prediction and warning of severe ice storms;
- Essential information on severe ice storm risks for use by municipalities in meeting legislated requirements of the Ontario Emergency Management Act (2003);
- New partnerships;
- Collaboration between MSC and Ontario Region and municipalities;
- Recognition from PERD of the quality of the work and the process of involving stakeholders.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $119,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 66.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base and others). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.5.

Strategic Intent 6 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 is to provide S&T to enhance the natural uptake of GHG's from the atmosphere. More specifically, the program will address:

Strategic Intent 6 · Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 6.2.1

The Development of a Better Understanding of the Relevant Natural GHG Cycles; and Steps to Increase the Net GHG Uptake from the Atmosphere by Forests, Agricultural Lands and Oceans.

POL 6.2.1—Enhancement of Greenhouse Gas Sinks (EGGS)

As part of our effort to avert the negative consequences of climate change we must improve our knowledge of how CO_2 emissions cycle in the environment. Because the natural cycle of carbon and nitrogen that control the release and uptake of GHGs are complex, increased understanding of the carbon sink phenomenon will be a step in that direction. The concept of the carbon sink evolved, in the environmental community, hand in hand with the awareness of GHG emissions and their impact on the climate. The carbon sink concept describes the ability of a number of natural processes active in forests, soils, and oceans, to absorb and sequester CO_2. However, much more work is needed before verifiable reporting of greenhouse gas uptake through sinks projects will be achievable. The EGGS POL focuses on better understanding the natural processes governing sources and sinks of GHGs within Canada's natural and managed terrestrial ecosystems and adjacent ocean environments, by undertaking coordinated research efforts directed specifically at those aspects of the science relative to future reporting of sinks under the Kyoto Protocol. Many of the POL projects will be conducted collaboratively with the broader climate change research community.

A PERD project from EC that will supply some of the answers regarding natural carbon sinks, took place in Northern Ontario. The scientific staff engaged on this project collected CO_2 samples from ground level and airborne sources. The new data improved an existing model of the biospheric/atmospheric CO_2 exchange process. The updated model was then used to interpret six years of CO_2 concentration data from the locale, and to provide a map of the strength of the biospheric carbon flux over time. This is an important early step in understanding the flow of CO_2 between boreal forest ecosystems and the atmosphere. Another EC project looks into the susceptibility of forested wetlands carbon budgets to climate change and natural variability. The presence of a monitored watershed at Turkey Lakes has enabled the CFS to build upon a large database for use in modelling. The study determines the C stock in uplands/wetlands, partitioning between atmosphere and water to measure the response of wetland C stocks and fluxes to artificial wetland drying, and to explain the role of aquatic ecosystems in the carbon sink. This will contribute to the preparation of a carbon budget of forested wetlands and potential impacts of climate on carbon cycling.

The following activities are included under POL 6.2.1:

- Forest Sinks

- Agricultural Soil Sinks
- Ocean Sinks
- Hydro-electric Reservoirs
- Science Advisor on Climate Change

This POL is funded by the following federal departments: NRCan, EC and Fisheries and oceans and AAFC (Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada). Participating universities include BIOCAP, Göteborg University, Macmaster University, University of Alberta, Waterloo, Manitoba, Toronto and Saskatchewan as well as Michigan Technological University and Sault College. There are several partnerships with industry, such as Alberta Forest Products, Al-Pac, BC Hydro, Canadian Pulp & Paper, etc. A number of agencies are also involved in the POL`s projects: US Department of Energy (USDOE), USDA Forest Service, Ducks Unlimited, CCAF, CCFIA, Canadian Space Agency, CFCAS and many more.

For 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, the POL plan included 5 sub-projects where each sub-project was divided into themes, each theme had a team of researchers from various departments that shared the resources allocated to that theme. The allocation to each researcher under each theme is considered as a project. Therefore, The total number of themes in the POL was 22, there were 8 EC researchers leading the sub-projects in 2002-2003. POL 6.2.1 is in its third year of a 5-year POL Plan.

The total 2001-2002 annual budget for POL 6.2.1 was $8,102,400 and $9,855,000 for 2002-2003. The total PERD resources available for 2001-2002 were $1,694,300 and for 2002-2003, $1,941,000. PERD funds were divided amongst the departments involved in this POL (see Table 17). For this POL, the leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for 2001-2002 was 4.8 and 5.1 for 2002-2003.

Table 17 Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 6.2.1 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds (%)	
	2001–2002	2002–2003
NRCan/EC	39.5	34.5
DFO	27.9	37.0
AAFC/EC	26.4	23.0
EC	6.3	5.5

Environment Canada Projects for POL 6.2.1

Estimation of Terrestrial CO_2 Sources and Sinks in Canada

Project Manager: Kaz Higuchi

Project Objectives

This project is a follow up from a previous PERD project that focused on the development of a 3-dimensional atmospheric transport model for CO_2 coupled to an ecosystem model. The goal of the present PERD project is to obtain vertical aircraft profiles of CO_2 over the BERMS site during the growing season of each year, for validation of the model performance and improvements. In the preceding PERD project, we performed similar aircraft measurement campaigns over Fraserdale in northern Ontario. This project is conducted by the Air Quality Research Branch, MSC, in order to complement a collaborative CFCAS project with Professor Jing Chen of the University of Toronto.

The objective of the project is to carry out vertical aircraft profiling of atmospheric CO_2 over the BERMS site, to provide data to verify and constrain model calculations on net CO_2 flux from boreal ecosystem.

EC is the lead government agency in the implementation of and compliance to the terms of the Kyoto Protocol. In this context, IPCC has recommended an independent top-down approach in estimating net carbon flux. The top-down approach employs a 3-dimensional atmospheric transport model to interpret measured atmospheric CO_2 concentration in terms of temporal and spatial distributions of carbon sources and sinks over Canada. In order to verify the usefulness of the coupled atmosphere-biosphere model, we need to constrain (and improve) the model with vertical CO_2 concentration measurements. The PERD project is part of an overall strategy for EC to obtain a useful and relatively accurate tool for a top-down method.

Methodology

In the previous PERD project, we developed an aircraft sampling unit for in-situ measurements of meteorological and CO_2 concentration measurements, as well as flask sampling for CO_2 concentration and its stable isotopes. With the present level of PERD funding, we carry out a single 1-week aircraft measurement campaign in June or July of each year over the BERMS site in northern Saskatchewan.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

During June 2003, we carried out 1-week aircraft measurement campaign over the BERMS site. Some preliminary analysis results were presented at the 12th WMO Meeting of CO_2 Experts in September, 2003 in Toronto. A more detailed analysis has been carried out on the data obtained during the 2002 campaign. Some highlights are given below.

During the fiscal year 2002-2003, we carried out one aircraft measurement campaign over the BERMS site in northern Saskatchewan during the period 8-12 July 2002, to obtain in-situ vertical profiles of CO_2 and meteorological parameters (temperature, pressure, moisture, wind). We also obtained approximately 60 flask samples for concentration analyses of CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, and CO, as well as for stable isotopes $\delta^{13}C$

and $\delta^{18}O$ of CO_2. We were also able to obtain low-level in-situ atmospheric CO_2 measurements from Toronto to Prince Albert.

During the July 2002 aircraft campaign at BERMS, there was a passage of a weak warm front on July 10. It is interesting to note that the concentration of CO_2 in the planetary boundary layer increased by about 5 ppm in the air mass behind the warm front. Also, under "normal" conditions, $\delta^{13}C$ and $\delta^{18}O$ are correlated, but the vertical profiles taken during these 2 days indicate an anti-correlation.

The fiscal year 2004-05 is the last year of the PERD project. We will carry out another 1-week aircraft measurement campaign in June 2004.

An internal report summarizing all the aircraft data will be published by the end of March 2004. A scientific paper on the interpretation of the aircraft data will be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal by early summer of 2004.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $22,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 86.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.2.

Wetlands in the Forest Context-Carbon Sink Potential

Project Manager: Rick Bourbonnière

Project Objectives

The wetlands related sinks research began under the "new" PERD structure. Our work is linked within the POL 6.2.1 structure to all of the other forest sinks related projects so that our forested wetlands results will be taken in the context of all forest related carbon cycle and sinks modeling results, particularly soils related sinks research. Our research is closely linked with a new GHG research project being undertaken at the Turkey Lakes Watershed *Roaming GHG-Hotspots (CO_2, CH_4, and N_2O): A Hydrologically Based Method for Mapping GHG Sources and Sinks in Forests.* This project is funded for three years and run collaboratively by University (I. Creed, U. Western Ontario – S. Schiff, U. Waterloo) and Federal Government (R. Bourbonniere & D. Jeffries, EC/NWRI – F. Beall & N. Foster, NRCan/CFS) researchers. Our initial PERD funded research provided a "seed" project from which the CFCAS proposal was drawn up. The continuation of our PERD funds for 2003-04 and 2004-05, as well as federal government in-kind support were instrumental in the proposal's success

The primary objective of the entire forest sinks program is to improve techniques for estimating the carbon budget of Canada's managed and unmanaged forest and forest wetland ecosystems and to identify trends and changes in carbon sequestration associated with forest management, land use change and climate variability and change.

Our research on forested wetlands addresses these specific sub-objectives:

- To understand the distribution and fate of soil carbon and the variable sink/source status of forested wetlands;
- by apportioning greenhouse gas fluxes among wetland and upland portions of catchments;
- by understanding hydrologic and biogeochemical processes that contribute to the spatial and temporal variability of greenhouse gas fluxes in forested catchments containing wetlands;
- To assess the impact of climate change and variability, disturbances and forest management practices on increasing carbon sequestration in Canada's forest wetland ecosystems;
- by develop datasets and conceptual models to incorporate this knowledge into distributed hydrological models and carbon budget models.

In addition to the policy implications for the department in assisting Canada to meet its Kyoto commitments, research into greenhouse gas exchange in forested catchments containing wetlands will provide new knowledge and understanding of:

- wetland ecosystems;
- soil biogeochemical processes;

- catchment hydrology;
- terrestrial - aquatic - atmospheric interactions;

with implications for and applications to departmental priorities in climate science and water resources science.

Methodology

During 2001-02, PERD contributed through the forested wetlands initiative to ongoing research conducted by partners at a forested wetlands site in southern Ontario (Beverly Swamp). Completed field-based studies begun by partners on the influence of climate and hydrology on GHG fluxes.

In subsequent years all forested wetland resources were utilized for Turkey Lakes Watershed work and new research was started at Beverly Swamp under the agricultural wetlands initiative. The research undertaken by the partners at the Turkey lakes Watershed began in April 2001 with the first increment of seed funding from PERD.

The study includes field survey, monitoring, process studies and modeling components. To date (2001-2004) the study has followed this course:

- Initiation: Site selection, initial surveys, installing equipment, gathering background data;
- Catchment Surveys: Soil surveys, digital elevation models (DEMs), initial greenhouse gas (GHG) measurements;
- Monitoring, Modelling and Process Studies: GHG measurements, implementation of terrain analysis model, preliminary process studies;
- Future Work: Increased partner participation and funding will result in more process studies, continued and expanded GHG measurements, incorporation into models of soil, dissolved and gaseous carbon fluxes from study catchments.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- Beverly Swamp: Field-based studies on the influence of climate and hydrology on greenhouse gas (CO_2 and CH_4), dissolved organic carbon and biogeochemical processes were completed;
- Turkey Lakes Watershed: Initiation (01-02): Initial survey work to select research sites; installing flux measurement infrastructure; gathering background data;

Catchment Surveys (02-03): Soil survey and soil organic carbon distribution; wetland boundary definition; digital elevation models (DEMs) on the selected catchments;

- initial greenhouse gas (GHG) measurements (CO_2 and CH_4) on representative transects; dissolved organic carbon export from the catchments;

- Monitoring, Modelling and Process Studies (03-04): Continuation of GHG measurements on the transects resulting in topographic distribution of CO_2 efflux; implementation of terrain analysis models on soil moisture distribution; preliminary process studies on CH_4 generation;

- Future Goals: More process studies on the generation of all three GHGs (CO_2, CH_4, N_2O), including preliminary stable isotope studies; continued and expanded GHG measurements to better delineate topographic, moisture and temperature control of GHG fluxes; incorporation of soil, dissolved and gaseous carbon fluxes from study catchments into models at the catchment scale; proposed linkages to more general forest carbon models, particularly soil carbon components.

The project will complete its first four years with a better understanding of the topographic, moisture and temperature controls on GHG fluxes from soils in tolerant northern hardwood forests characterized by complex terrains that include swamp components. The plan for the next five years will include expansion of this research to other forest types (*e.g.* boreal) and manipulation experiments to test the sensitivity of GHG generation processes to the impacts of climate alterations (*e.g.* drought). Results from these experiments will be combined with the early results to model sensitive processes and feed the knowledge upwards to larger scale forest models.

One of the project's highlights is the finding of topographic control of CO_2 efflux. Our transect studies of soil CO_2 efflux found that a transition zone exists at the footslopes which is characterized by the highest fluxes throughout the growing season, higher than both wetland and upland positions. This result is contrary to our initial hypothesis that upland positions would yield the highest fluxes. This result led us to more comprehensive studies of topographic controls of GHG fluxes in these complex catchments.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $150,050 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 86.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 1.2.

Impact of Variability and Climate Change on Carbon Sequestration in a Boreal Deciduous Forest

Project Manager: Alan Barr

Project Objectives

This project, which focuses on the measurement of inter-annual climatic variability and its effect on carbon sequestration by three contrasting boreal forest ecosystems (aspen, black spruce and jack pine) evolved from an earlier project *The Impact of Climatic Variability and Change on Carbon Sequestration in a Boreal Deciduous Forest* which began in 1998 and was conducted at the aspen site only. This work is part of the Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites (BERMS) program, a joint initiative of the Climate Research Branch of MSC, the Canadian Forest Service, Parks Canada, and collaborating scientists from U.B.C. and Queen's U. The BERMS program began in 1997. The BERMS program is tightly integrated with modeling studies in POL 6.2.1. BERMS recently became the flagship flux station of the Fluxnet-Canada Research Network, a new national network that is studying the influence of climate and disturbance on carbon cycling in forest and peatland ecosystems. BERMS is also linked to international flux-tower networks, including Ameriflux, CarboEurope and AsiaFlux, through the global FLUXNET program.

The objective of this project is:

- To measure and analyze the effect of inter-annual climate variability on the carbon and water balances of deciduous, wet coniferous and dry coniferous boreal forest ecosystems, and create an integrated, stand-level database, including carbon, water and energy fluxes, soil CO_2 efflux, climate, soil moisture and biophysical data and metadata, for validating process models of the forest carbon balance.

This project is closely coupled to the development and validation of Canadian Land Surface Scheme (CLASS) of MSC, the land-surface scheme used in Canadian climate models. The BERMS data are essential for model development and validation. Current efforts (2002-2005) are focused on the implementation of a carbon cycle module in CLASS and the assessment of the model's ability to simulate the influence of seasonal and inter-annual climate variability on the carbon balance of the boreal forest at the stand level. The goal is an improved representation of land surface processes for boreal forest, with a fully coupled carbon cycle model, in the Canadian GCM and RCM.

Methodology

The exchanges of carbon, weather and energy between the forest and the atmosphere are measured using the tower-based eddy-covariance technique. A demonstrated strength of the BERMS program is the use of standardized instrumentation and data-processing protocols at all sites. The high degree of measurement standardization enables a credible cross-site analysis of inter-ecosystem differences in carbon sequestration and its climatic controls. Another strength of the BERMS program is the development of an exemplary Data Information System, which has been recently adopted for use by the Fluxnet-Canada Research Network.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

This project's most significant output to date is the integrated, stand-level database, available on a password protected website. Analysis of the data is producing new insights into the key biophysical and climatic processes that control the balances of carbon, water and energy in boreal forest. The database is also being used by collaborating modeling groups, including the modeling theme in this POL, to improve the formulation of key processes in ecosystem carbon cycle models.

The BERMS data are being used to strengthen our understanding of the key climatic and biophysical processes that control the forest's carbon and water cycles, including climate warming and drought. The aspen site has large inter-annual differences in carbon sequestration that are controlled primarily by spring temperature; warm springs promote early leaf out and increase photosynthetic carbon uptake. A secondary control on carbon sequestration is the leaf area index, with diminished leaf area index and carbon uptake in years following drought. In contrast to the aspen ecosystem, the black spruce and jack pine ecosystems sequester less carbon and are less sensitive to inter-annual climatic variability.

The BERMS data are being used by many collaborating groups to validate and improve national land surface process and ecosystem carbon budget models, including C-CLASS, IBIS, BEPS-INTEC, and ECOSYS.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $436,900 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 15.8% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, others such as CCAF, NSERC). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 6.4.

Wetlands in the Agricultural Context-Carbon Sink Potential

Project Manager: Rick Bourbonnière

Project Objectives

The wetlands related sinks research began under the "new" PERD structure. Our work is linked within the POL 6.2.1 structure to all of the other agricultural sinks related projects so that our agricultural wetlands results will be taken in the context of all agriculture related carbon cycle and sinks modeling results, particularly soils related sinks research. Our PERD funded research provided seed money for the first wetland focused study to be undertaken under the auspices of the Prairie Carbon Research Group, whose members include Federal, Provincial, University and NGO organizations. Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) provided funding and in-kind resources for several related wetland studies including those that are most closely allied with our PERD studies. University partners provided in-kind laboratory and field support from staff and students. Recently (Fall 2003), a new NSERC-BIOCAP strategic project grant was funded to focus on GHG sources and sinks in upland/riparian/wetland transects at experimental sites in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Closely associated with this project is the DUC and PERD funded Riparian/Open Water studies that are a continuation of our original work. These are ongoing at three open water sites, one each in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

In the context of the entire POL6.2.1 agriculture component the overall goals are to improve methodology, understand processes, evaluate management practices and improve and update models of greenhouse gas fluxes from agroecosystems in order to quantify carbon sequestration and provide a verifiable carbon credit accounting system.

Our research of wetlands in the agricultural landscape addresses the following sub-objectives:

- To understand the source/sink status of wetlands and riparian zones in agricultural landscapes in relation to uplands (crop and range lands);
- by measuring greenhouse gas fluxes along transects in several regions of Canada;
- by carrying out process studies to determine the impact of upland management practices (*e.g.* nutrient management) on riparian zone and wetland carbon budget;
- by building and testing a wetland carbon process model.
- To assess the impact of climate change, farming practices and land use change on the ability of agricultural wetlands to sequester carbon;
- By providing data sets from representative sites and interpretation to allow scaling up to landscape level.

In addition to the policy implications for the department in assisting Canada to meet its Kyoto commitments, research into greenhouse gas exchange in agricultural landscapes containing wetlands will provide new knowledge and understanding of:

- wetland ecosystem vulnerability;
- soil biogeochemical processes;
- hydrology at a landscape scale;
- terrestrial - aquatic - atmospheric interactions;

with implications for and applications to departmental priorities in climate science, waterfowl habitat and water resources science.

Methodology

During 2001-02, PERD resources for agricultural wetlands and forested wetlands were combined and supported ongoing research conducted by partners at a forested wetlands site in southern Ontario (Beverly Swamp). Completed field-based studies begun by partners on the influence of climate and hydrology on GHG fluxes. Initial scoping meetings with the Prairie Carbon Research Group were held to plan research along upland-riparian-wetland transects with the initial studies to begin in 2002-03 with PERD seed funding.

In subsequent years all agricultural wetland resources were utilized for new research started at Beverly Swamp and at a prairie wetland site (St. Denis, SK). The new research undertaken by the partnerships began at Beverly Swamp in the fall of 2001 and at St. Denis April, 2002. As partner funding and PERD funding increased annually the activities ramped up in proportion, including the addition of new sites in Manitoba and Alberta.

The study includes field survey, monitoring, process studies and modeling components. To date (2001-2004) the study has followed this course:

- Initiation: Site selection, initial surveys, installing equipment, gathering background data;
- Initial Surveys: Soil surveys, initial greenhouse gas (GHG) measurements;
- Monitoring, Modelling and Process Studies: GHG measurements, digital elevation models (DEMs), preliminary process studies;
- Future Work: Increased partner participation and funding will result in more process studies, continued and expanded GHG measurements, incorporation into models of soil, dissolved and gaseous carbon and nitrogen fluxes from wetlands and associated uplands and riparian zones.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story

- Beverly Swamp, ON
- Initiation (Fall 2001): Transect selection for riparian zone and cropland (local farmer), installation of collars;

- Initial Surveys (2002-03): GHG fluxes (CO_2 and CH_4) at cropland-riparian transects and wetland reference site;

- Monitoring, Modelling and Process Studies (2003-04): Install met station, install hydrologic network, digital elevation model, nitrate reduction experiments, full growing season CO_2 and CH_4 flux measurements, water quality groundwater and stream;

- Future Work (2004-05): Increased frequency of measurement, additional transects, laboratory and field process experiments, conceptual model

- St. Denis, SK
- Initiation (2002-03): Transect selection at Pond 1 – installation of riparian transect, initial trials with chamber design - pond dried quickly;

- Initial Surveys (2003-04): Installation of secure riparian/open water transect, construction of floating chamber systems, construction of continuous CO_2 flux monitor, some summer flux measurements;

- Monitoring and Process Studies (2004-05): With increased partner funding will measure GHG fluxes on the transect including the open water for the entire growing season, water chemistry and light regime monitoring as well.

- Pond Transects – Manitoba and Alberta Sites

- Initiation (2003-04): Partner funded effort on riparian / open water transect, initial flux results;

- Initial Surveys (2004-05): With increased partner and PERD funding, the research at this site should be at, or near the frequency and type as St. Denis;

- Modelling: We will work together with our modelling partner to update the existing model with new information;

- Related Work: Since 2002-03 a survey of restored wetlands (DUC) in the three prairie provinces for GHG flux was underway with the aim of cataloguing changes with time since initiation of restoration.

Most of the work is still in its early stages, but the major success story is the high degree of partnership and leverage that has evolved since the PERD seed study began in 2001-02. Many related studies are underway and together the Prairie Carbon Research Group will begin understand GHG fluxes in a landscape context. The contribution of wetlands to the sink/source status of the agricultural landscape will be clear and included in the wetland carbon model.

Funding

The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $102,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 28.4% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base, B-Base, industry (DUC) and others such as McMaster U., U. of Saskatchewan, U. Tor. Miss.). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 3.5.

Advice/Coordination/Assessment

Project Manager: Henry Hengeveld

Project Objectives
This project is a continuation of a PERD project initiated in 1981/82. While the project has included the role of POL leader, the services provided go well beyond the sinks issue identified as the theme for POL 6.2.1.

The objective of this project is to ensure effective delivery of POL outputs and a mechanism for advising policy makers of scientific research results as needed for national and international negotiations and policy development with respect to greenhouse gas fluxes and climate change.

Much of the climate change science assessment and communication activities undertaken within this project are of generic interest to all government climate change policy advisors/makers, particularly within EC. It is also an important part of EC outreach activities to the public.

Methodology
The science advisor activities undertaken within this project include:

- assessment of the national and international science with respect to greenhouse gas sources and sinks and their significance with respect to the broader issue of climate change;
- provision of advice to research program managers and scientists on priority research areas to ensure such activities are policy relevant, and organizing related science workshops;
- provision of advice to the policy community with respect to the current status of science relevant to greenhouse gas sinks, climate change and other related issues;
- preparation of related papers, reports and briefing notes;
- and presentation of seminars as appropriate.

The science advisor will also serve as leader for the EGGS POL. Related responsibilities include the organization of technical meetings to assist the POL committee in its further development and evaluation of the POL activity plans.

Goals, Outputs and Project Success Story
Outputs for 2002-03 included:

- A review of some 400 climate change research papers appearing in international peer reviewed literature in 2001 was completed. The review will be released as the spring 2003 issue of the newsletter CO_2/Climate Report;

- Weekly reports on new science highlights appearing in the peer-reviewed literature were prepared and circulated electronically to selected senior government policy makers and managers. In addition, more technical monthly reports of literature highlights were circulated to an extensive list of scientists and other interested readers;

- In collaboration with the POL steering committee, organized and hosted a mid-cycle POL workshop to assess progress in meeting POL deliverables and identify priorities for Cycle 2 POL activities and outputs. Some 60 research scientists and managers from the four natural resources departments and several academic institutions participated. A report of the workshop is in preparation and will be released in CD-ROM format;

- During the year, three articles and reports on climate change science were completed and published in journals or reports (see Appendix A), and 18 oral presentations on the science of climate change were made at meetings, workshops, conferences and public gatherings;

- As lead on POL 6.2, the science advisor coordinated the reporting on activities undertaken under the POL 6.2 plan.

Recent highlights of this project include the 1993 POL workshop and very satisfactory external evaluation of POL, indicating that deliverables are all on target and that related PERD investment has achieved high returns.

Funding
The average resources allocated for this project per fiscal year were $248,000 (2001-2002; 2002-2003). An average 43.6% of these resources came from PERD funds, the rest came from other sources (A-Base). The average leverage quotient of total resources to PERD resources for the project was 2.3.

Annex 1

POL Objective Leaders

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Annex 2

Publications

ANNEX 2 : RECENT PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES AND PUBLICATIONS

Strategic Intent 1 : Strategic Direction 2 : Objective 1.2.1

Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF)

Project: Offshore Wind and Wave Design Criteria

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Offshore Wind and Wave Design Criteria

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Project: Data Assimilation into Coupled Atmosphere-Ocean Wave Models

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Publications

Objective 1.2.1

Coupled Atmosphere-Ocean Wave Models

Project : Operational Ice Modelling

Presentations

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Operational Ice Modelling

Project: Operational Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne SAR

Presentations and Report

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Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne SAR

Strategic Intent 1: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 1.2.2

Northern Hydrocarbon Production

Objective 1.2.2

Project: Minimizing Environmental Risk from Petroleum Exploration in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the Northwest Territories

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Presentations

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Environmental Risk from Petroleum Exploration

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Publications

Objective 1.2.3

Small Glacial Mass Distributions

Strategic Intent 1: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 1.2.3

Marine Transportation and Safety

Project: Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions

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Strategic Intent 1: Strategic Direction 3: Objective 1.3.1

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Objective 1.3.3

Strategic Intent 1: Strategic Direction 3: Objective 1.3.3

Soil and Ground Remediation

Natural Wetlands vs. Toxic Organics

Project: Natural Wetlands- Containment, Transformation and Remediation of Toxic Organics from Natural Gas Condensates and Process Chemicals

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Publications

Objective 1.3.3

Natural Wetlands vs. Toxic Organics

Project: Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Extraction Plants

Publications

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Project: Attenuation of an Ethanol/BTEX Plume in Fractured Bedrock Model Undergoing Biostimulation

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Publications

Objective 1.3.3

Oil Sands Contaminants

Strategic Intent 2: Strategic Direction 1: Objective 2.1.1

Objective 2.1.1

Support for the Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matters.

Project: Characterization of Particulates and Precursors in Emissions

Characterization of Particulates and Precursors

Publications

On the Source of Biological Marker Compounds in Mobile Source Particle Emissions

Gaseous & Particulate Matter Emissions from In-Use Light Duty Gasoline Motor Vehicles

On-Road Motorcycle Emissions- Characterisation of Particulate Matter & Gaseous Emissions

Evaluation of the EPA PART5 Model in Light of Recent Emissions Measurements
Emissions from Advanced Technology Vehicles

Emissions from Urban Buses

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Publications

Objective 2.1.1

Presentations
6 presentations between 2000-2003

Gaseous and Particulate Matter Emissions from 70 In-use Light Duty Gasoline Motor Vehicles.

13th CRC – Urban Busses

13th CRC- Advanced Technology Vehicles

Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air

Project: Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air

Presentations
6 presentations between 2000 and 2003

1 presentation entitled "Organic Particles"

Objective 2.1.2

Strategic Intent 2: Strategic Direction 1: Objective 2.1.2

Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction

Engine Cold Start Efficiency

Project: Engine Cold Start Efficiency

Reports
Project: Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Ethanol/Gasoline Blend Fuels

The Phase 1 testing was reported by Environment Canada.

Project: Environmental Properties of Ether Fuels

Publications
Two Environment Canada publications have been released.

Objective 2.2.2

Strategic Intent 2: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 2.2.2

Fuel Cells, Electric and Hybrid Vehicles

Measurement of Toxic Emissions

Project: Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Fuel Cells, Electric, and Hybrid Vehicles

Publications
There are three draft reports in preparation for the 2003/04 work. One of these papers will be further developed into a technical paper under the SAE organization.

Objective 2.2.4

Strategic Intent 2: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 2.2.4

Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems

St Lawrence Routing Management

Project: The St Lawrence Routing Management Support Model

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Strategic Intent 3: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 3.2.4

Objective 3.2.4

Energy Management for Sustainable Communities

Energy from Waste Technologies

Project: Development of energy from waste technologies and other alternative technologies:
- -Microturbines Development/Emission Research from Landfill Gas Improvement of Waste Management Decision-Making:
- -Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model
- -Advanced Landfill Technology

No publications or presentations at this time.

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Publications
Objective 3.2.4

Clean Air OnLine

Project: Clean Air OnLine

Conferences:
Upwind Downwind Air Quality Conference 2004, Hamilton.
http://www.airquality.hamilton.on.ca/conf/2004/default.asp

Third Canadian Workshop on Air Quality: Pollutants Across Boundaries, Quebec City
http://aqworkshop.ec.gc.ca/default_e.html

Objective 4.3.3

Strategic Intent 4: Strategic Direction 3: Objective 4.3.3

Research, Development and Deployment of Industrial Separation and Refrigeration

Microwave-Assisted Processes

Project: Applications of Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP™) To Solvent-less Synthesis and to Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction

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Objective 5.1.1

Wind Mapping

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Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE)

Objective 5.2.1

Project: Environmental Contaminants in Coal and Coal Byproducts

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Objective 5.2.2

Project: Prevention, Control and Mitigation of Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sources

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Pollution from Stationary Combustion

Real-Time Analysis and Modeling Techniques for Identifying the Origins of Urban Particulate Matter.

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Objective 5.2.3

Strategic Intent 5: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 5.2.3

CO_2 Capture and Storage

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P. Marsh presented an invited talk to a DIAND/Water Resources sponsored meeting in Calgary on preparing for natural gas development in the Mackenzie Valley and Delta. In addition, he also attended an DIAND meeting in Yellowknife on research gaps related natural gass development in the Mackenzie Valley/Delta region.

T. Prowse continues to be involved in the international Arctic Climate Impact Assessment (ACIA) to be a lead author of a chapter dealing with climate changes on the hydrology and cryosphere of the northern latitudes. A specific area that he has authored deals with changes in northern hydrologic regimes and freshwater ice covers; the foci of two of the PERD themes in this study.

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Publications
Objective 6.1.1

Project: Critical Aspects of the Climate of Western Canada for the Energy Industry

Climate of Western Canada

Publications

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Szeto, K.K.: Energy budget studies - Scientific background, progress and issues. MAGS WEBS Workshop, Toronto, On., May, 2002. (Invited)

Szeto, K.K.: Northern water and energy cycles. 4th CSA Atmospheric Environment Workshop, London, On., May 2002. (Invited).

Szeto, K.K., and R.E. Stewart: WEBS in MAGS. GHP WEBS Workshop, GISS, N.Y., N.Y., September, 2002.

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Szeto, K.K.: Coupled modelling in MAGS. GEWEX SSG Meeting, Bangkok, Thailand, Jan., 2003. (Invited)

Szeto, K.K.: WEBS in MAGS. 9th Annual Scientific Meeting for the Mackenzie GEWEX Study (MAGS). Montreal, Que, Nov. 2003.

Woo, H., J. Gykum, F. Hicks: Mackenzie GEWEX Program and the Mackenzie Gas Pipeline. Mackenzie Gas Pipeline Workshop. 2003.

Annex 2 Publications Objective 6.1.1

Snow Water Equivalent Variations

Project: Snow Water Equivalent Variations in Western Canada and Climate Change Related Impacts for Hydropower Production

Publications

Derksen, C., A. Walker and B. Goodison (2003): A comparison of 18 winter seasons of in situ and passive microwave-derived snow water equivalent estimates in Western Canada. Remote Sensing of Environment, Vol. 88, 271-282.

Cloud Cover over North America

Project: Changes in Cloud Cover over North America for Solar Energy Development in Canada

Impacts of aerosols on the cloudiness, surface solar radiation and precipitation in North America has been finished and reviewed by scientists in our Branch. It will be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal very soon.

The manuscript of second paper The future cloudiness, radiation and precipitation in North America under IPCC A1 scenario will be finished in the near future.

Climate Change

Project: Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector

Publications:

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Presentations:

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January 2003: presentation of results to PERD CCIES Workshop, Toronto.

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March, 2002: presentation to Oceanology International on "Marine Climate Variability and its Impact on Ocean and Coastal Engineering", London, UK

January, 2002: presentation to CLIVAR "Workshop on Advances in the Use of Historical Marine Climate Data", Boulder, CO

April 2001: presentation of results to International Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) MetOcean Committee, London, UK.

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Climate Change

Project: Climate and Energy in the Toronto-Niagara Region (Integration of Science and Policy)

Upcoming March 22, 2004 workshop.

Pending peer-reviewed paper in international Weather and Forecasting journal.

Presentations at national and international conferences (May 2003, July 2003).

Toronto-Niagara Region

Annex 2

Publications

Objective 6.2.1

Terrestrial CO_2 Sources and Sinks

Wetlands in the Forest Context

Strategic Intent 6: Strategic Direction 2: Objective 6.2.1

Enhancement of Greenhouse Gas Sinks

Project: Estimation of Terrestrial CO_2 Sources and Sinks in Canada

Publications and Reports

On the CO_2 exchange between the atmosphere and the biosphere: The role of synoptic and mesoscale processes, Tellus (in press), 2004.

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Presentations

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Project: Wetlands in the Forest Context-Carbon Sink Potentiel

Publications

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Submitted papers

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Project: Wetlands in the Agricultural Context-Carbon Sink Potential

Wetlands in the Agricultural Context

Publications

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Project: Impact of Variability and Climate Change on Carbon Sequestration in a Boreal Deciduous Forest

Carbon Sequestration in a Boreal Deciduous Forest

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Carbon Sequestration in a Boreal Deciduous Forest

Presentations

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Advice/ Coordination/ Assessment

Project: Advice/Coordination/Assessment

Publications

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	Tom Carrières	Operational Ice Modeling	Tom.Carrieres@ec.gc.ca
	Dean Flett	Operational Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne SAR	Dean.flett@ec.gc.ca
POL 1.2.2	Northern Hydrocarbon Production		
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POL 1.2.3	Marine Transportation and Safety (MTS)		
	Tom Carrières	Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions	Tom.Carrieres@ec.gc.ca
POL 1.3.1	Flaring Research Initiative (FRI)		
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POL 1.3.3	Soil and Groundwater Remediation		
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	John Headley	Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Refineries	John.Headley@ec.gc.ca
	Bill Reynen	Groundwater Research Program	Bill.Reynen@ec.gc.ca
	Dale Van Stempvoort	The Role of Sulfate Reduction in the Bioremediation Technologies for Hydrocarbon Contamination in Groundwater	Dale.VanStempvoort@ec.gc.ca
	Bill Reynen	Remediation of Hydrocarbon-Contaminated Sites by Monitored Natural Attenuation	Anne-marie.thompson@ec.gc.ca
	Terry McIntyre	Assessment of Phytoremediation as an In-Situ Technique for Cleaning Oil Contaminated Sites	Terry.McIntyre@ec.gc.ca
	Nathalie Ross and Suzanne Lesage	Biological Barriers in Fractured Bedrock	Nathalie.Ross@ec.gc.ca Suzanne.Lesage@ec.gc.ca
	Carl Brown	Solar Detoxification of Groundwater	Carl.Brown@ec.gc.ca
	Carl Brown	In-Situ Soil Flushing for the Remediation of Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soil	Carl.Brown@ec.gc.ca
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	Richard Scroggins	Standardization and Validation of Terrestrial Toxicity Test Procedures for Assessing Biological Effects in Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soils	Rick.Scroggins@ec.gc.ca
	Kevin Cash	Assessment of Natural and Anthropogenic Impacts of Oil Sands Contaminants within the Northern River Basin	Kevin.Cash@ec.gc.ca
	Terry McIntyre	Land Farming of Bioremediated Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soils/Wastes	Terry.McIntyre@ec.gc.ca

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POL 2.1.1	Support for the Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matter (Air Quality- Particles Research)		
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	Greg Rideout	Measurement of Toxic Emissions from Ethanol/Gasoline Blend Emissions	Greg.Rideout@ec.gc.ca
	Merv Fingas	Environmental Properties of Ether Fuels	Merv.Fingas@ec.gc.ca
POL 2.2.2	Fuel cells, Electric and Hybrid Vehicles		
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POL 2.2.4	Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems		
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POL 3.2.4	Energy Management for Sustainable Communities		
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POL 4.3.3	Research, Development and Deployment for Industrial Separation and Refrigeration (SEPREF)		
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POL 5.1.1	Electricity from Renewable Energy Technologies		
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POL 5.2.1	Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE)		
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POL 5.2.2	Clean and Efficient Combustion Technologies for Large Utility Electricity Generation		
	Don Rose	Prevention, Control and Mitigation of Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sources	Donald.Rose@ec.gc.ca
POL 5.2.3	CO_2 Capture and Storage		
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POL 6.1.1	Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector (CCIES)		
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POL 6.2.1	Enhancement of Greenhouse Gas Sinks (EGGS)		
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Oil and Gas

Strategic Intent 1: Fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Direction 2: Provides S&T to extend and diversify Canada's oil and gas production from offshore and northern regions through the development of the science and technology needed for standards and regulations, and to reduce costs and mitigate environmental and safety concerns. Priority will be given to R&D related to new sources of natural gas.

Objective 1.2.1: Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF) for regulatory, design, safety, and economic purposes.

Project Titles:
- **Offshore Wind and Wave Design Criteria**
- **Beaufort Sea Wave Design Criteria**
- **Operational Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne Synthetic Aperture Radar**
- **Operational Ice and Iceberg Modelling**
- **Research and Development Support to the Operational Surface Wind and Wave Model**

Objective 1.2.2: Carry Out R&D in aid to regulatory requirements for the eventual production of oil and gas in the north

Project Titles:
- **Minimizing Environmental Risk from Petroleum Exploration in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the NWT**

Objective 1.2.3: Regulatory requirements for the safe and efficient transportation of oil and gas by tankers, and for the other occupational and public safety standards.

Project Titles:
- **Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions and Local Forecasting of Bergy Bits**
- **Critical Aspects of changes in Sea Ice Cover on Energy Production**

Strategic Direction 3: Provide the necessary Science and Technology to address the cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and off-shore oil and gas resources.

Objective 1.3.1: Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative (UPAIRI)

Project Titles:
- **Flare Performance and Speciation**
- **Fate and Transport**
- **Flaring Regulatory Development**
- **Optical Measurement Technology for Upstream Oil and Gas Facility Fugitive Emissions (Differential Absorption LIDAR)**
- **Optical Measurement Technology for Upstream Oil and Gas PM Emissions (Open Path Solar Radiation Based Plume Opacity)**
- **Quantitative Prediction Model of Total GHG Emissions from Solution Gas Flares**

Objective 1.3.2: Regulation, Construction and Maintenance of Pipelines

Project Titles:
- **Evaluating rapid lake drainage events in the northern Mackenzie region: Potential risks to pipelines**
- **Climate change impacts on cold-regions hydrologic processes and extreme events associated with the hydro-electric and oil/gas industries in western and northern Canada**

Objective 1.3.3: The remediation of groundwater and soil.

Project Titles:
- **The role of sulfate reduction in the biodegradation of petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater**
- **Subsurface Fate Of Contaminants From Sumps And Petroleum Spills In The North**
- **Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Extraction Plants**
- **Wetlands - Containment, Transformation and Remediation of Toxic Organics from Natural Gas Condensates and Process Chemicals**
- **In Situ Soil Flushing Using Lignosulphonate Solution: Preparation for Field Testing**
- **Thermally enhanced bioremediation on contaminated sites**
- **Microbial ecology for the evaluation of bioremediation in challenging conditions**
- **Development and Standardization of New Toxicity Test Methodologies and Guidance for Assessing the Impacts of Hydrocarbons Contamination in Agricultural and Non-agricultural Habitats using Organisms of Ecological Relevance to Canadian Soil Systems**
- **Environmentally Acceptable Endpoints of CCME Canada-Wide Standards Petroleum Hydrocarbons Fraction F3 for Weathered Hydrocarbons in Soil:Eco-toxicology Testing Component**
- **Nutrient Flushing to Enhance Natural Biodegradation of Diesel Fuel Impacted Groundwater in a Fractured Bedrock Environment**
- **Biobarriers in Fractured Rock: Pilot Scale Study and Matrix Biostabilization**
- **Remediation of Hydrocarbon-Contaminated Sites by Monitored Natural Attenuation**
- **Groundwater Research Program**

Transportation

Strategic Intent 2: Foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Direction 1: Provide S&T to reduce emissions from transportation sources, to improve air quality and health and reduce GHG production.

Objective 2.1.1: Support the Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matter

Project Titles:
- **Characterization of Particles and Precursors in Emissions**
- **Characterization of Particles In Ambient Air**

Objective 2.1.2: Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER)

Project Titles:
- **Study of Environmental Properties of Diesel Ethers**

Strategic Direction 2: To provide S&T to improve energy efficiency, reduce emissions, and provide economic benefits to Canada from next generation vehicles and systems.

Objective 2.2.4: Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems

Project Titles:
- **Terminal Aviation Forecast (TAF) Performance Metrics to Support More Fuel Efficient Flight Operations**
- **Modèle METRo**

Objective 2.2.5: Hydrogen Energy Economy

Project Titles:
- **Development of Infrastructure Including Health, Safety and Environmental Issues and Development of Standards, Policies and Guidelines**

Buildings and Communities

Strategic Intent 3: Reduce overall energy intensity of Canada's buildings, municipal transportation and community energy systems and consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Direction 2: Provide S&T to integrate energy services (supply and end use) in communities to reduce overall energy requirements, optimize the use of available resources and reduce environmental impacts, including air pollution and GHG emissions

Objective 3.2.4: To develop technical and decision-making process innovations that will help achieve integrated energy management at the community level and contribute to sustainable community development.

Project Titles:
- **Development of Energy from Waste Technologies and Other Alternative Technologies - Microturbines and Landfill Gas; IWM Model, and Advanced Landfill Technology**
- **Urban Forestry, Green Roofs and Vertical Gardens to Reduce Energy Consumption**
- **Tools for design and management of seasonal energy storage for heating and cooling**
- **Clean Air Portal**

Industry

Strategic Intent 4: Strategic Intent 4 is to reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's industrial sectors and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, improving productivity and providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Direction 3: To provide S&T to advance generic energy-related technologies and processes to reduce energy intensity, particularly in industry, to achieve productivity gains and reduce GHG emissions and other wastes.

Objective 4.3.3: The Development of Advanced Technologies and Products for Heat Management and Separation Including High Efficiency Drying.

Project Titles:
- **Applications Of Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP_{TM}) To Solvent-Less Synthesis And To Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction**

Objective 4.3.6: Develop and/or optimize more efficient and innovative industry technologies, tools, processes, products and/or systems to increase the efficiency of energy use resulting in a reduction of their environmental footprint.

Project Titles:
- **New EE transformative technologies based on the use of microwave and HF**

Electricity

Strategic Intent 5: To reduce the environmental impacts of Canada's electricity infrastructure, particularly greenhouse gases, through alternative electric power generation, increased efficiency of fossil-based plants, and strategies to capture and manage emissions.

Strategic Direction 1: To provide S&T to increase the proportion of Canada's electricity supply from renewables and distributed systems which offer improved system integration and reduced environmental impacts. (R&D activities in this area will exclusively address generic technological issues whose applications are not related to communities, buildings, and industry).

Objective 5.1.1: Improving the Economics and Efficiency of Conversion of Renewable Energy to Electricity Including Related Storage, Hybrid, and Systems Technologies.

Project Titles:
- **Solar and Wind Energy Resource Assessment**
- **Strategic Direction 2**

Strategic Direction 2: To provide S&T to reduce emissions and the associated environmental impacts from centralized, combustion-based electric power generation systems.

Objective 5.2.1: The Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE) for More Efficient and Environmentally Benign Electricity Generation

Project Titles:
- **Environmental Contaminant[s] Coal and Coal By-products**

Objective 5.2.2: The Conversion Fossil Fuels to Electricity More Efficiently with Ultra-low Environm[ental] Emissions

Project Titles:
- **Prevention, Control and Mitigation of Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sour[ces]**

Climate

Strategic Intent 6: To minimize t[he] negative impacts of climate chan[ge on] the Canadian energy sector.

Strategic Direction 1: To provide S&T to support the Canadian energy sector's response to the impacts [of] climate change.

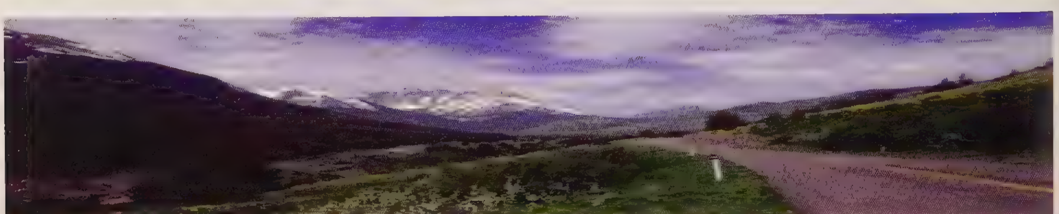
Objective 6.1.1: Impacts of Clim[ate] Change on the Energy Sector

Project Titles:
- **Historical and Future Climat[e] the Assessment of Energy S[ector] Impacts in Canada**
- **Regional Climate Modelling Analysis for the Canadian In[land] Seas and Watershed Impact [to] the Energy sector**
- **Climate Change and Offshor[e] Design Criteria**
- **Climate change impacts on [cold-] regions hydrologic process[es] and extreme events associa[ted] with the hydro-electric and [oil/gas] industries in western and northern Canada**
- **Critical Aspects of the Clim[ate] Western Canada for the Ene[rgy] Industry**
- **Snow Water Equivalent Vari[ability] in Western Canada and Clim[ate] Change Related Impacts for Hydropower Production**
- **Changes in Cloud Cover ov[er] North America for Solar Ene[rgy] Development in Canada**

Strategic Direction 2: Provides [S&T] to enhance the uptake of GHGs [from] the atmosphere.

Objective 6.2.1: Better Understa[nding] of the Relevant GHG Cycles and [the] Development of Steps to Increas[e] Net GHG Uptake and Sequestra[tion] from the Atmosphere by Forest Ecosystems, Agricultural Landsc[apes] and Oceans.

Project Titles:
- **Measuring and analyzing th[e] effect of inter-annual climat[e] variability on the carbon an[d] water budgets of three representative boreal forest ecosystems at the Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites (BERMS)**
- **Wetlands in the Forest and Agricultural Landscapes**
- **Atmospheric CO_2 measuren[ents] and regional flux estimation [in] BERMS study area**



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Overview of this Report

The federal Program for Energy Research and Development (PERD) funds energy research and development (R&D) in Canada to ensure a sustainable energy future that serves the best interests of both the Canadian economy and environment. PERD directly supports energy R&D conducted by the federal and provincial governments, and is concerned with all aspects of energy supply and use. PERD is an interdepartmental program operated by Natural Resources Canada (NRCan). Environment Canada (EC) has been a participating department in PERD since 1977.

EC leads research Programs at Objective Level (POLs) in 5 of 6 sectors covered by PERD: oil and gas, transportation, industry, electricity, and climate. Specifically, EC leads research relating to flaring practices from oil and gas production; soil and groundwater remediation technologies for hydrocarbon contamination; reduction of particulate matter emissions from transportation sources; emissions control from advanced fuels; the hydrogen economy; emissions from electricity generation; and enhancement of greenhouse gas sinks. In addition, EC participates in a number of other POLs led by other departments, managing projects pertaining to weather prediction, northern oil and gas production issues, fuel efficiency in aviation, sustainable communities, renewable energy technologies, and impacts of climate change on the electricity sector.

EC's science and technology activities within PERD involve primary research, risk assessment, decision- and policy-making support, development of standards and guidelines, and development of regulatory requirements.

This report provides an overview of EC's activities within PERD during fiscal years 2003-2004, and 2004-2005. The first section of this report outlines Environment Canada's current mandate and policy framework, as well as background information on PERD, and EC's PERD involvement. The remainder of this report profiles all of EC's PERD activity, including an overview of each project that EC manages, and a summary of each POL.

RÉSUMÉ

Aperçu du rapport

Le Programme fédéral de recherche et de développement énergétiques (PRDE) subventionne la recherche et développement (R-D) dans le domaine de l'énergie au Canada dans le but d'assurer un avenir énergétique durable, au mieux des intérêts de notre économie et de notre environnement. Le PRDE appuie directement la R-D en énergie réalisée par les gouvernements fédéral et provinciaux, et il s'intéresse à tous les aspects de l'approvisionnement et de la consommation énergétiques. Il s'agit d'un programme interministériel mené à bien par Ressources naturelles Canada (RNCan), et Environnement Canada (EC) y participe depuis 1977.

EC dirige des programmes de recherche au niveau des objectifs (PNO) dans 5 des 6 secteurs couverts par le PRDE : pétrole et gaz, transports, industrie, électricité et climat. Plus précisément, EC dirige des projets de recherche liés aux pratiques de brûlage à la torche dans la production pétrolière et gazière; aux technologies de restauration des sols et des eaux souterraines par suite d'une contamination aux hydrocarbures; à la réduction des émissions de matières particulaires provenant des transports; au contrôle des émissions causées par les combustibles de pointe; à l'économie de l'hydrogène; aux émissions issues de la production d'électricité; à l'amélioration des puits de gaz à effet de serre. En outre, EC participe à un certain nombre d'autres PNO dirigés par d'autres ministères. Il gère ainsi des projets dans les domaines suivants : prévisions météorologiques; questions liées à la production de pétrole et de gaz dans le Nord, rendement des carburants en aviation; collectivités durables; technologies de l'énergie renouvelable; impacts des changements climatiques sur le secteur de l'électricité.

Les activités de sciences et technologie d'EC dans le cadre du PRDE comprennent la recherche primaire, l'évaluation des risques, l'appui à la prise de décision et à l'élaboration des politiques, l'élaboration de normes et de directives ainsi que l'établissement d'exigences réglementaires.

Ce rapport fournit un tour d'horizon complet des activités d'EC dans le cadre du PRDE pendant les exercices financiers 2003-2004 et 2004-2005. La première section du rapport décrit le mandat et le cadre stratégique actuels d'Environnement Canada et fournit des renseignements de base sur le PRDE et la participation d'EC au Programme. Le reste du rapport décrit toutes les activités d'EC en ce qui a trait au PRDE et donne un aperçu de chacun des projets que gère EC ainsi qu'un résumé de chacun des PNO.

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ACRONYMS

AAFC ....Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
AAOP ....Advanced Oxidation Process
AAQD ....Analysis and Air Quality Division
ACSYS ....Arctic Climate System Study
ADM ....Assistant Deputy Minister
AEIRB ....Aquatic Ecosystem Impacts Research Branch
AES ....Atmospheric Environment Service
AEUB ....Alberta Energy and Utilities Board
AFTER ....Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction
AIRG ....Adaptation and Impacts Research Group
AMDAR ....Aircraft Meteorological Data Relay
AMSR..Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer
AQ ....air quality
ASAR ....Advanced Synthetic Aperture Radar
ASHRAE ....American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Engineers
ATES..Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage
ATMS ....Advanced Traffic Management Systems
BAQS ....Border Air Quality Study
BEPS ....Boreal Ecosystems Productivity Simulator
BEPS-INTEC ....Boreal Ecosystem Productivity Simulator-Integrated Terrestrial Ecosystem C-budget model
BERMS ....Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites
BIO ....Bedford Institute of Oceanography
BTES..Borehole Thermal Energy Storage
BTEX..Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl-benzene, and Xylene
CAC ....Criteria Air Contaminent
CAM ....Canadian Aerosol Module
CANMET ....Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology
CAOL ....Clean Air Online
CAPP ....Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers
CBM ....Coalbed Methane
CCAF–TEAM ....Climate Change Action Fund, Technology for Early Action Measures
CCG ....Canadian Coast Guard
CCIES ....Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector
C-CLASS ....Carbon-Canadian Land Surface Scheme
CCME ....Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment
C-CORE..Centre for Cold Ocean Research Engineering
CCRP..Climate Change Research Program
CCRS..Canada Centre for Remote Sensing
CCTEAF..Climate Change Technology Early Action Fund
CCTII..Climate Change Technology & Innovation Initiative
CD ....Companion Document
CEM ....Community Energy Management
CEP..Community Energy Plan
CEPA ....Canadian Environmental Protection Act
CES..Community Energy Systems
CETC ....CANMET Energy Technology Centre
CFCAS..Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences
CFD..computational fluid dynamics
CGCM1 ....Canadian General Circulation Model version 1
CH_4/CO_2 ....Methane/Carbon Dioxide
CHC ....Canadian Hydraulics Centre
CHELASOL..Chelation/Solvent Extraction Process
Cl ....chlorine
CIS..Canadian Ice Service
CLASS model ....Canadian Land Surface Scheme model
CLIMo ....Climate Lake Ice Model
CLIVAR ....Climate Variability and Prediction Program
CMHC ....Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
CMC..Canadian Meteorological Centre/Centre météroloqique du Canada
CNOPB ....Canada—Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Board
CNSOPB..Canada—Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board
CO..Carbon Monoxide
CO_2 ....Carbon Dioxide
COFE ....Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions
CORONA ....Consortium for Research on Natural Attenuation
CPPI..The Canadian Petroleum Products Institute
Cr. ....Chromium
CRB ....Climate Research Brand
CRCM ....Canadian Regional Climate Model
CRYSYS ....Cryospheric System in Canada

CSA	Canadian Standards Association
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
CWS	Canada-wide Standard
DEA	Diethanolamine
DEMs	Digital Elevation Models
DFO	Department of Fisheries and Oceans
DGGE	Denaturing Gradient Gel Electrophoresis
DIAL	Differential Absorption LIDAR technology
DIAND	Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development
DIPA	Diisopropanolamine
DMSP	Defense Meteorological Satellite Program
DNA	deoxyribo-nucleic acid
DND	Department of National Defence
DRECT	Demonstration of Resource and Energy Conservation Technology
DUC	Ducks Unlimited Canada
EAE	Environmentally Acceptable Endpoints
EBAD	Environmental Biotechnology Applications Division
EC	Environment Canada
ECD	Electricity and Combustioin Division
ECES	Energy Conservation through Energy Storage
ECOSYS	Canadian ecosystem model
ECS	Environmental Conservation Service
EED	Emergencies Engineering Division
EERC	Energy & Environmental Research Center
EGGS	Enhancement of Greenhouse Gas Sinks
EGR	Enhanced Gas Recovery
EMRD	Emissions Measurement and Research Division
ENVISAT	Environment Satellite
EOS	Earth Observing Systeme
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPF	Energy Priority Framework
EPIC	Environment Plastic Industry Council
ERAC	Environmental Research Advisory Council
ERMD	Emissions Research and Measurement Division
EROD	Ethoxyresorufin O-deethylase
ERS–2	European Remote Sensing Satellites
ESA	European Space Agency
ETB	Energy Technology Branch
ETC	Environmental Technology Centre
EV	Electric vehicle
FCM	Federation of Canadian Municipalities
FDM	Flight Data Monitoring
Fe	iron
FIRE III	First ISCCP Regional Experiment -III (1994-1999)
FJMC	Fisheries Joint Management Committee
Fluxnet–Canada CO_2 flux network	A national university network integrating worldwide CO_2 flux measurements.
FRI	Flaring Research Initiative
GASREP	Groundwater and Soil Remediation Environmental Program
GCMs	Global Climate Models
GEM	Global Environmental Model
GEWEX	Global Energy and Water Cycle Experiment
GGFR	Global Gas Flaring Reduction
GGFRP	Global Gas Flaring Reduction Partnership
GHG	Greenhouse Gases
GIS	Geographic Information System
GRI/DOE	Gas Research Institute/Department of Energy
GSC	Geological Survey of Canada
GSM	Global System for Mobile Communications
H_2S	hydrogen sulphide
HAPs	Hazardous Air Pollutants
HC	Health Canada
HEIST	Highly Energy-efficient Industrial Science and Technology
HEV	Hybrid Electric Vehicle
Hg	Mercury
HMDC	Hibernia Management Development Corporation
IBIS	Integrated Terrestrial Biosphere Model
IC	Industry Canada
ICGT	integrated coal gasification technology
ICS	Information and Communications Systems
IDS	Iceberg Detection Software
IEA	International Energy Agency
IEA-ECES	International Energy Agency Implementing Agreement

IGARSS ....International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium
IGBP ....International Geosphere-Biosphere Program
IGCC ....Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle
IIC ....International Ice Patrol
IIMI ....Integrated Ice Management Initiative
IIP..International Ice Patrol
IJC..International Joint Commission
INAC ....Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
IPCC ....Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
ISCCP..International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project
ISO ....International Organization for Standardization
ISWM ....Integrated Solid Waste Management
IWM..Integrated Waste Management
JGR..Journal of Geophysical Research
k. ....Thousand
KNMI ....Netherlands Meteorological Institute
LAMS ....Laser Ablation Mass Spectrometry
LAOGMT..Lloydminster Area Operators Gas Migration Team
LARS-WG ....Model to simulate time-series of a suite of climate variables at a single site
LFE ....Large Final Emitter
LFG ....Landfill gas
LICOR ....LI-COR Biosciences-designs and manufactures instrument
LIDAR ....Light Detection and Ranging
LII ....Laser-Induced Incandescence
LNAPL..Light non-aqueous phase liquid
LS..Lignosulfates
M ....Million (i.e., 1x106)
MAGS ....Mackenzie GEWEX Study
MAM..Multispectral Atmospheric Mapping
MAP ....Microwave-Assisted Processes
MC2 ....Mesoscale Compressible Community model
MDEA..Methyldiethanolamine
MEA ....Monoethanolamine
MEDS..Marine Environmental Data Service
MFO ....Multi-Function Oxidases
MIPA ....Monoisopropanolamine
MIROS ....Microwave Remote Sensor for the Ocean Surface
MMT..Methylcyclopentadienyl Manganese Tricarbonyl
Mn ....manganese
MNA ....Monitored Natural Attenuation
MOE..Microbial Oil Eater
MOU..Memorandum of Understanding
MRM ....Multiresidue Method
MSC ....Meteorological Service of Canada
MSC50 ....Meteorological Service of Canada: a 50-year continuous wind and wave hindcast for the North Atlantic
Mt ....megatonnes
MTBE..Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether
MTO ....Ministry of Transportation of Ontario
MTS ....Marine Transportation and Safety
NA ....Naphthenic Acids
NAPS ....National Air Pollution Surveillance
NARCM..Northern Aerosol Regional Climate Model
NASA ....National Aeronautics and Space Administration (U.S)
NDMA ....N-Nitrodimethylamine
NEB..National Energy Board
NEI ....Northern Ecosystem Initiative
Ni..Nickel
NIC..National Ice Center
NOx..nitrogen oxides
NRBS ....Northern River Basins Study
NRC ....National Research Council of Canada
NRCan ....Natural Resources Canada
NRCM ....Northern Aerosol Regional Climate Model
NREI ....Northern Rivers Ecosystem Initiative
NSERC ....Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada
NSIDC..National Snow and Ice Data Centre
NWP..Numerical Weather Prediction models
NWRI ....National Water Research Institute
O_2 ....Oxygen
OCC ....Overland Custom Coach
ODS ....Ozone-depleting substances
OECD..Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development

OEF .... Offshore Environmental Factors
OERD .... Office of Energy Research and Development
OFFN .... OFFN: NARCM without CAM
OGP .... Internal Association of Oil and Gas Producers on Energy Conservation through Energy Storage
ONN .... NARCM with CAM
PAC .... Polycyclic Aromatic Compounds
PAD .... Peace-Athabasca Delta
PAHs .... Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
PCBs .... Polychlorinated Biphenyls
PCP .... Partners for Climate Protection
PCSP .... Polar Continental Shelf Project
PERD .... Program of Energy Research and Development
Pg .... Picogram
pH .... acidity
PHC .... petroleum hydrocarbon
PM .... Particulate Matter
PMG technology .... Permanent Magnetic Generator technology
PO_4 .... phosphate
POL .... Program at the Objective Level
PTAC. .... Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada
PV .... Photo-Voltaic
PWGSC .... Public Works and Government Services Canada
R&D .... research and development
RADARSAT .... Radar Satellite
RCM .... Regional Climate Modelling
RSI .... Radarsat International
RTDF .... Remediation Technology Development Forum
S&T .... Science and Technology
SAIC .... Science Applications International Corporation
SAR .... Synthetic Aperture Radar
SDSM .... Spatial DownScaling Model
SEPREF .... Separation and Refrigeration
SEPTA .... Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority
SETAC .... Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
SGRC .... Soil and Groundwater Research Committee
SHCP .... Solar Heating and Cooling Programme
SHEBA .... Surface Heat Budget of the Arctic Ocean
SMC .... Service météroligique du Canada
SMMR .... Scanning Multichannel Microwave Radiometer
SO_2 .... sulphur dioxide
SO_4 .... sulphate ion
SOC .... Southampton Oceanography Centre
SOx .... sulphur oxides
SRC .... Saskatchewan Research Council
SRES .... Special Report on Emissions Scenario
SRM .... Snowmelt Runoff Model
SSM/J .... Special Sensor Microwave/Imager
SSR .... Surface Solar Radiation
STECA .... Statistical Tool for Extreme Climate Analysis
STRICE .... Measurements of Structures in Ice
SWE .... Snow Water Equivalent
SWS-2 .... Storm Wave Study -2 systems for plant biology, biotechnology, and environmental research
t .... Tonne (metric)
TC .... Transport Canada
TDS .... total dissolved solids
TEA .... triethanolamine
TEAM .... Technology for Early Action Measures
TEH .... total extractable hydrocarbon
TES .... Thermal Energy Storage
TIE .... Toxicity Identification and Evaluation
TNR .... Toronto-Niagara Region
TPH .... Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
UFORE .... Urban Forest Effects
UOG .... upstream oil and gas
UON .... NARCM with CAM and UCAR CSM data as lateral boundary condition
UPAIRI .... Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative
USAID .... United States Agency for International Development
USDOE .... United States Department of Energy
USEPA .... United States Environmental Protection Agency
UTES. .... Underground Thermal Energy Storage
VOC .... Volatile Organic Compounds
WAM .... Wind and Wave Model
WATCLASS .... Waterloo Canadian Land Surface Scheme

INTRODUCTION

ENVIRONMENT CANADA MANDATE AND POLICY FRAMEWORK

Fundamental Principles

Environment Canada (EC) is determined to be a leader in the area of sustainable development. In doing so, the department is guided by the following fundamental principles:

- EC's mandate is to preserve and enhance the quality of the natural environment, including water, air and soil quality; conserve Canada's renewable resources, including migratory birds and other non-domestic flora and fauna; conserve and protect Canada's water resources; carry out meteorology; enforce the rules made by the Canada - United States International Joint Commission relating to boundary waters; and coordinate environmental policies and programs for the federal government (Department of Environment Act).

- EC's vision is to see a Canada where people make responsible decisions about the environment, and where the environment is thereby sustained for the benefit of present and future generations. Environment Canada's mission is to make sustainable development a reality in Canada by helping Canadians live and prosper in an environment that needs to be respected, protected and conserved.

To this end, the Department's strategic approach involves:

- Providing leadership nationally and internationally on matters pertaining to the sustainability of the environment;
- Acting on behalf of all Canadians to address environmental issues of national concern and to administer and enforce federal environmental laws and regulations;
- Delivering services to Canadians that enable them to adapt to their environment in ways which safeguard their health and safety and optimize economic efficiency; and
- Building capacity throughout society to take decisions that lead to environmental sustainability and cooperating with others having similar objectives.

Framework

To implement the fundamental principles, the department developed a framework to integrate economic and environmental policy in a way that increases the efficiency, productivity, and competitiveness of Canadian industry. The Competitiveness and Environmental Sustainability Framework (CESF) sets a vision to "Attain the highest level of environmental quality as a means to enhance the well-being of Canadians, preserve our natural environment, and advance our long-term competitiveness."

ENVIRONMENT CANADA – THE ROLE OF SCIENCE

Environment Canada's science is fundamental to the delivery of its vision and mission. Departmental efforts include research, monitoring and assessment, technology and indicators development, and reporting activities. Environment Canada uses science to:

- Understand naturally-occurring aquatic, biotic, terrestrial and atmospheric processes and their interactions;

- Evaluate and assess the effects of known and emerging stressors on the environment;
- Design and evaluate policy options for pollution prevention, control, management and adaptation; and
- Communicate scientific knowledge and provide Canadians with tools to develop and evaluate actions to address environmental issues.

Over 40 percent of Canada's environmental research capacity lies within the federal government, and about half of that is located in EC. Science and technology (S&T) are essential for delivering on EC's mandate. They provide the basis for the Department's policies, programs, and services. It is critical for the success of EC and for environmental management in Canada that the Department's science and technology be of high quality; aligned with departmental and federal government goals; be linked to Canadian and international environmental science and technology capacity; and be applied effectively to address the environmental and sustainable development needs of Canadians. Science and technology are essential assets in an increasingly knowledge-based society and economy.

In recognition of the growing prevalence of horizontal issues, EC's science-related activities are integrated with those of other departments and they encompass a range of disciplines. The Department is also developing new and more effective ways of engaging with the wider science and technology community, both domestically and internationally, in order to leverage external resources and build synergies with other organizations. The Department already has built significant science and technology networks across the country and is exploring new models of partnership and collaboration involving universities, the private sector, and non-governmental organizations.

BACKGROUND ON THE PROGRAM OF ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Objectives

The Program of Energy Research and Development (PERD) is an applied research and development (R&D) program that funds R&D to ensure a sustainable energy future that serves the best interests of both the Canadian economy and environment. PERD directly supports 40 percent of all non-nuclear energy R&D conducted by the federal and provincial governments, and is concerned with all aspects of energy supply and use. The program involves government research facilities at all levels, as well as universities, corporations, and other interested organizations and associations. PERD is an interdepartmental program coordinated by Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)'s Office of Energy Research and Development (OERD).

Approach

PERD funding for approved projects ($58 million for each fiscal year 2003-2004, and 2004-2005) is provided under Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) signed between NRCan and the participating departments. These MOUs establish a framework for collaboration; outline the scope of activities supported by PERD; and describe the role and responsibilities of the parties, the mechanism to transfer funds, reporting requirements, and treatment of publications and intellectual property.

The broad energy interests of the program converge on six main "strategic intents" designed to concentrate research efforts on those issues that are priorities for the well-being of Canadians. Funding is directed to selected organizations conducting research on energy considerations falling within these six strategic intents:

- diversification of Canada's oil and gas
- cleaner transportation for the future
- energy-efficient buildings and communities
- energy-efficient industry
- Canada's electricity infrastructure
- Impacts of climate change on the energy sector.

PERD provides funds directly to 12 partner departments and agencies to support early-stage and applied energy R&D in the technology areas identified above. Federal laboratories across Canada perform the R&D and supplement the money they receive from PERD with funding from their own organizations. PERD also works in partnership with and leverages additional funds from industry and industry associations, the provincial government, universities and other funding programs. Requests for PERD funding are referred to program managers working in the relevant technology areas referred to above and are considered in the context of current R&D activities and priorities identified in PERD Program at Objective Level Plans. Examples of funded R&D activities include[1]:

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[1] Office of Energy Research and Development (OERD) website www2.nrcan.gc.ca/ES/OERD/english

- the scientific knowledge base for energy-related codes, standards, test procedures and regulations (including the development of testing equipment and planning tools);
- development of equipment, systems and processes e.g. engineering development and operational systems development – includes technical field trials, pilot plants and prototypes;
- applied scientific research e.g. field experiments, bench scale, pilot plants and technical field trials;
- science and technology assessment (of a specific activity/technology) for the purpose of further advancement of the science or development of the technology or spin-off applications; and
- data collection and literature reviews where they are integral and necessary to the research project.

The PERD approach for providing solutions to emerging energy issues is to draw upon expertise and resources from a broad spectrum of interested parties, from both government and non-government sectors, combining their strengths and reducing their weaknesses. This system requires a great deal of organization and an accountability framework, but allows for reducing duplication of effort, thereby providing for budgetary responsibility.

ENVIRONMENT CANADA'S PARTICIPATION IN PERD

Scope

EC has participated in PERD since 1977. EC conducts research in all 6 PERD strategic intent technology areas outlined above. In fact, EC leads PERD research Programs at Objective Level (POLs) in 5 of 6 sectors: oil and gas, transportation, industry, electricity, and climate change. Specifically, EC leads research relating to flaring practices from oil and gas production, soil and groundwater remediation technologies for hydrocarbon contamination, reduction of particulate matter emissions from transportation sources, emissions control from advanced fuels, the hydrogen economy, emissions from electricity generation, and enhancement of greenhouse gas sinks. In addition, EC participates in a number of other POLs led by other departments, managing projects pertaining to weather prediction, northern oil and gas production issues, fuel efficiency in aviation, sustainable communities, renewable energy technologies, and impacts of climate change on the electricity sector.

EC's allotment of the total PERD funding budget makes the Department the second largest participant in the Program. In fiscal year 2003-04 EC received $5.127 million in PERD funding, and in 2004-05 EC received $4.917 million in PERD funding. During fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05, Environment Canada managed 54 PERD projects, contributing to 19 of the 26 program objectives (POLs) under PERD and to all six strategic intents.

EC's science and technology activities within PERD involve primary research, risk assessment, decision- and policy-making support, development of standards and guidelines, and development of regulatory requirements.

BENEFITS TO PERD OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA INVOLVEMENT

The benefits to PERD of EC involvement include:

- Environmental expertise required to fulfill PERD's mandate
- Scientific knowledge related to a multitude of PERD projects
- Extensive leverage capability to foster research projects.

PERD's objective of a sustainable energy future requires environmental expertise, which only EC is capable of providing. The department is capable of supplying scientific knowledge in a very wide range of topics to fulfill PERD project objectives, including: oil and gas production, soil and groundwater remediation, emissions from transportation, the hydrogen economy, emissions from electricity generation, enhancement of greenhouse gas sinks, weather prediction, sustainable communities, renewable energy technologies, and impacts of climate change on the electricity sector. EC's involvement in such a wide range of projects allows for extensive leverage capability to increase resources in PERD projects, thereby increasing the ability for project success.

BENEFITS TO ENVIRONMENT CANADA OF PERD INVOLVEMENT

The benefits to Environment Canada of PERD involvement include:

- Financial Benefits (through leveraging of resources)
- Partnerships (collaborative research projects)
- Policy Support (to both EC and other departmental decisions on key energy related issues)
- Support to EC Branches.

Through involvement in PERD, EC is able to undertake science-based activities in support of its mandate while using the valuable partnership structure of PERD to leverage additional resources from industry, academia, the non-profit sector, and other governments. In many instances, this partnership structure has not only led to the benefits of additional resources, but also to research projects which are more collaborative in nature, and therefore research results that are more practical and useful to end-users.

A third major benefit of EC involvement in PERD derives from the important role that science-based research plays in policy development, development of standards and guidelines, and development of regulatory requirements. Research provides a baseline against which policy actions are measured and upon which sound decisions concerning future initiatives are made. PERD research undertaken by EC directly informs these types of decisions at the departmental and inter-departmental level, and therefore helps shape Canada's overall direction pertaining to important issues such as sustainable development, air quality, and water quality. The department understands the advantages of the horizontal approach in managing emerging environmental issues and is committed to considering economic and social issues in conjunction with its environmental initiatives. Because of its horizontal and collaborative approach, PERD provides an ideal mechanism for involving multiple stakeholders and multiple disciplines in developing a science-based understanding of environmental challenges.

PROJECT PROFILES

The following section describes the programs at the objective level (POLs) in which EC participates. Each POL summary is followed by an overview of the corresponding EC projects. Detailed information on publications and conference presentations for each POL can be found in Annex 2.

The information presented represents the best available information with regards to the timeline for each project (e.g. when the POL plan is scheduled to end, or when project outcomes are expected). These may not reflect specific project schedules in all instances.

The financial information presented for each project includes the entire amounts, including funding provided by PERD to other departments. Financial information also includes in-kind contributions.

Note: where information was not available, N/A (not available) is indicated. Where information was not applicable (i.e. for a funding year in which the project did not exist, a dash "-" was placed in the table.

STRATEGIC INTENT 1 - OIL AND GAS SECTOR
Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 1.2.1
Offshore Environmental Factors for Regulatory, Design, Safety and Economic Purposes

Strategic Intent 1

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 provides S&T to extend and diversify Canada's oil and gas production from offshore and northern regions through the development of the science and technology needed for standards and regulations, and to reduce costs and mitigate environmental and safety concerns. Priority will be given to R&D related to new sources of natural gas.

Objective 1.2.1: Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF) for Regulatory, Design, Safety, and Economic Purposes

POL 1.2.1—Offshore Environmental Factors (OEF)

The work of this POL contributes to ensuring the safe, efficient, and economical extraction of natural hydrocarbon resources in harsh offshore environments. The OEF POL is a group of coordinated research initiatives from several federal departments that support the development of tools, techniques, methodologies, and basic scientific understanding required to address the design, operational and regulatory needs of the oil and gas industry off Canada's east coast and in the north. The research helps fulfill government departmental mandates in support of energy and sustainable development; improves the ability to make timely and economical engineering decisions and regulatory approvals; and helps ensure human safety and environmentally safe oil and gas operations. The meteorological monitoring responsibility of EC extends from providing accurate weather information to all Canadians to working within the mandates of this POL and EC provides weather information for the safe exploitation of our offshore energy reserves as well as to all Canadians.

Some highlights within this POL and lead by EC include work on reducing the uncertainty in wind and wave design criteria off the east coast of Canada. A 49-year database of wind and wave hindcasts has been achieved and is continuously updated. It is used extensively by industry in several east coast offshore projects. Another project is MIROS (Microwave Remote Sensor for the Ocean Surface), to be used to measure wind and wave intensities. Its reliability is being tested in severe storm conditions. Overall, it is expected that the reliability of wind and wave forecasts will increase and that some savings in operating costs might be realized. In order to improve safety and efficiency of hydrocarbon extraction operations in ice-infested waters, EC excels towards development of models to predict and detect movements of icebergs and changes in sea ice; these are improved upon, tested and modified on a continuing basis.

Research projects are coordinated efforts by federal laboratories from EC, DFO, NRC, and NRCan. These projects also include close collaboration with Canadian Universities (Memorial University of Newfoundland, University of Calgary, University of Ottawa, Dalhousie University,) and various international agencies and universities (Southampton Oceanography Centre and

the Bedford Institute of Oceanography, Oxford University), industry (e.g. Oceanweather Inc.), the OGP, private contractors, other federal departments (PWGSC, DND, Canadian Space Agency) and U.S.-based federal laboratories.

The following activities are included under POL 1.2.1:

- Wind- and Wave-Hindcasting and Forecasting
- Sea ice and Iceberg Detection and Forecasting
- Ocean Current Measurements and Circulation Modelling
- Ice-Structure Interaction Research and Standard Setting
- Seabed Stability Research and Development
- Basin Assessment Research.

The OEF POL has established various international partnerships. Multinational oil and gas industries are now collaborating with this POL in three new partnerships in order to facilitate current measurements in Atlantic offshore. Collaborative work between the Canadian and the European Space Agencies involve satellite imagery to enhance safety and efficiency of marine operations in ice-infested waters. Cooperation continues between CIS and IIC (International Ice Patrol) in the exchange of iceberg data and European Ice Services. The CHC advises the European Union Framework Program 5 project "STRICE". Many universities also participate in various ways with the OEF POL either by exchange information or joint projects.

In 2003-2004, POL 1.2.1 was in its second year of a four-year POL Plan. The original Plan included 18 individual projects with durations of two to four years, with a total annual budget of $2,692,000 (03-04). In January 2004, the POL Committee was informed that a sizeable amount of resources would be shifted into the OEF POL in 2004-05, due to the demise of the CCIES POL 6.1.1 and to the rationalization of project themes among the POLs within Strategic Direction 2. As a result, the OEF annual budget for 2004-05 rose to $3,316,000 in support of four new projects (two each from POLs 1.2.2 and 6.1.1). The total number of active OEF projects for the final year ('05-'06) of the present POL cycle will be twenty two (22). Five (5) of these are being managed by EC.

Table 1. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.2.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	27.2%	27%
EC	19.9%	20%
NRC	17.0%	17%
DFO	34.8%	35%
POL Coordination DFO	1.0%	1.0%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.2.1

Project Title: Offshore Wind and Wave Design Criteria

Overview

The primary focus of this research project is on reducing the uncertainty in wind and wave design criteria off the east coast of Canada, with particular emphasis on capital and operating cost reductions while maintaining responsible levels of safety. As stated at the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) Workshop on Uncertainty in the Design Process in November 1995, "numerical models certainly provide the most cost-effective and reliable means of generating the data which are needed by the offshore industry". The conclusions of the Workshop recognized that that there had been a significant improvement in the accuracy and reliability of numerical models during the past decade, but emphasized that there are still problems with hindcasts underestimating peak significant wave heights, particularly in the case of "Extreme Storm Seas" where significant wave heights exceed 12 m. These uncertainties will affect the reliability of the data being used to derive design criteria.

This project has been coordinated through two PERD Technical Working Groups, the Canadian National Waves Committee and the Working Group on Marine Winds. The work is also closely coordinated with the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) MetOcean Committee, which represents the technical expertise for all of the world's major oil companies; project goals, objectives and results are presented regularly to this Committee, at their regular meetings and at specialized symposia. The member companies of the OGP have contributed significantly to this project, particularly in the development and testing of the wind/wave hindcast methodology. Other collaborators in the project include the Southampton (U.K.) Oceanography Centre and the Bedford Institute of Oceanography on the topic of measurement uncertainties in ship, platform and buoy winds. BIO is also an important partner in the development of advanced wave models, particularly related to extreme storms. The hindcast work is done in collaboration with Oceanweather Inc., who have many years experience in all of the world's ocean basins, for government and the oil and gas industry.

Objectives

The objectives of this project are: (1) To develop methodologies to reliably determine offshore wind and wave design criteria; (2) To develop and maintain expertise in MSC related to wind and wave hindcasting. This project directly supports the important federal policy goals of environmental health and safety, as identified by the Minister of Natural Resources Canada, through contributions to improved offshore design criteria.

Outputs and Successes

The 50-year database of high-quality continuous wind and wave hindcasts has been used extensively by industry in several east coast offshore projects during the year, including BP, EnCana, Exxon/Mobil, BEPCo, Access Northeast Energy, Marathon, Petro-Canada and Shell, and by regulatory authorities in several Environmental Assessments. Twenty separate requests for wind and wave hindcast data, and continued use of the hindcast data by industry and government in Environmental Impact Assessments, represent a significant outcome. In addition, the wind and wave hindcast results will, at the invitation of the industry, form a contribution to the East Coast of Canada Regional Annex to the International Standard ISO/DIS 19901-1:

Petroleum and natural gas industries – specific requirements for offshore structures: Part I: Metocean design and operating considerations, and to new Regional Annexes under development for the Labrador Sea, Davis Strait, Baffin Bay and the Beaufort Sea.

A major milestone in 2004-05 was the implementation of the next generation of wind and wave hindcast methodology, on a very high resolution, incorporating shallow water effects, utilizing improved bathymetry, sea ice information, and wind forcing based on increased use of satellite winds. This hindcast, denoted MSC50, is supported by the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) MetOcean Committee, and is scheduled for completion by March 2006.

A summary of milestones achieved during 2003-2005 include:

1. Revised wind-wave hindcast models and methodology and procedures based on implementation of wind-wave research results (March 2005)
   - Paper and presentation to 7th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting on detailed analysis of tropical storm types (October 2002)
   - Journal paper on reliability of buoy wind speed measurements in high sea states (March 2003)
   - Interim report on SOC flow distortion study (March 2003)
   - Report on vertical wind profile study (October 2005)
   - Report on SAR wind analysis of coastal and mesoscale wind patterns (March 2005)
   - Final report on SOC flow distortion study (October 2004)
   - Paper and presentation to 8th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting on MSC50 wind and wave hindcast (October 2004)

2. 50-year continuous wind-wave hindcast database (1956-2005) for the western North Atlantic on a ~50 km grid based on revised methodologies (March 2006)
   - 50-year wind wave hindcast data base (March 2005)
   - Presentation to industry on 50-year hindcast (October 2004)
   - Completion of MSC50 wind and wave hindcast (March 2005)
   - Report on validation of 50-year hindcast, including 1-D and 2-D wave spectra (December 2005)

3. Revised wind-wave design criteria based on additional years and revised methodologies, to industry, Boards for Guidelines (March 2006)
   - Initial Web page online with hindcast, validation and design criteria information (March 2003; updated January 2005 – to be updated routinely as additional information becomes available)
   - Interim design criteria for east coast based on 50 year hindcast (March 2005)
   - Presentation to industry on revised design information (October 2004)
   - Organization of 8th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting, (November 2004)
   - Development of input for Regional Annex for ISO 1990-1 Metocean design and operating considerations, for Canadian East Coast (October 2004)
   - Report on potential effects of climate change on future design wave criteria (March 2006).

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$540,000	$540,000
% from PERD	40.0%	40.0%
% from A-Base	27.7%	27.7%
% from Industry	13.8%	13.8%
% from Other	18.5%	18.5%
Administration		
Duration of Project	In year 4 of 5. Scheduled to end 2006.	
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Project Title: Beaufort Sea Wave Design Criteria

Overview

The primary focus of this research project is on reducing the uncertainty in wind and wave design criteria for the Beaufort Sea. Application of the technique developed in another PERD project within this POL (Wind and Wave Design Criteria) to the east coast significantly improved the description of design criteria there; this project would allow the Beaufort Sea design criteria to be on a similar footing. The design information which is the ultimate result of this R&D is required by the National Energy Board in their regulatory duties as specified in the Physical Environmental Program Guidelines for Petroleum Drilling and Production Activities on Frontier Lands, Canada Oil and Gas Drilling Regulations, Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulations.

Objectives

This research project has four important components: (1) to develop wind and wave hindcast methodologies for the Beaufort Sea incorporating recent research results from the hindcast activities on the east coast, particularly those related to kinematic wind field analysis; (2) to develop a consistent, reliable 20-year continuous hindcast wind and wave data base on a fine mesh grid incorporating shallow water effects for the Canadian Beaufort Sea, (3) to develop, produce and disseminate reliable, up-to-date design criteria for winds and waves in the Canadian Beaufort Sea, (4) to investigate the impacts on coastal erosion from waves based on the continuous hindcast time series.

Outputs and Successes

This is the first year for this project, after its transfer from the Northern POL following an extended dormant period due to lack of funding for that POL. Excellent progress was achieved against the proposed milestones overall for this project during 2004/05. Based on discussions with the oil and gas industry, detailed implementation plans were developed for the new, high-resolution shallow water version of MSC20B, a 20-year continuous hindcast of the Beaufort Sea covering the period 1986-2005.

1. 20-year continuous wind-wave hindcast database (1986-2005) for the Beaufort Sea on a ~28/7 km coarse/fine grid (December 2006)
   - Wind-wave hindcast model and procedure adapted for the Beaufort Sea from the North Atlantic version, implemented and tested (March 2005)
   - Presentation to industry on 20-year hindcast (October 2005)
   - Paper and presentation to 9th International Workshop on Wave Hindcasting and Forecasting on MSC20B wind and wave hindcast (October 2006)
   - Completion of MSC20B wind and wave hindcast (December 2006)

2. Revised wind-wave design criteria based on additional years and revised methodologies, to industry, regulators for Guidelines (December 2006)
   - Web page online with hindcast, validation and design criteria information (December 2006)
   - Presentation to industry on design information (October 2006)

- Development of input for Regional Annex for ISO 1990-1 Metocean design and operating considerations, for Canadian Beaufort (December 2006)

3. Shoreline erosion statistics based on modelling using 20-year continuous database as input March 2008)

The potential outcomes of this project include:

- Oil companies adopt 20-yr Beaufort Wave Hindcast for Environmental Impact Statements, input to design process
- Regulators use 20-yr Beaufort Wave Hindcasts for environmental assessment, regulation and guidelines
- GSC uses 20-yr Beaufort Wave Hindcast results for shoreline erosion studies
- MSC adopts 20-yr Beaufort Wave Hindcast as wave climate standard
- Marine Environmental Data Service (MEDS) adopts 20-yr Beaufort Wave Hindcast for wave climate products
- Other R&D projects use 20-yr Beaufort Wave Hindcast results, e.g. ocean circulation modelling, ice and iceberg motion, wave energy studies, climate change studies

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$145,000
% from PERD	-	65.5%
% from A-Base	-	20.5%
% from Industry	-	7.0%
% from Other	-	7.0%

Administration

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Project Title: Operational Detection of Icebergs from Space-Borne Synthetic Aperture Radar

Overview

This work is closely linked to and directly benefits to and from an industry-led program entitled the Integrated Ice Management Initiative (IIMI). Much of the IIMI work is being done by or led by C-CORE of St. John's, with whom this PERD project works closely. The IIMI is a large and comprehensive program spanning the spectrum of ice management R&D in support of oil and gas operations off Canada's east coast. By developing the capability to routinely use remotely sensed data, particularly RADARSAT Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) data and in the future ENVISAT and RADARSAT-2, to detect and monitor icebergs off Canada's East Coast, the CIS will improve its ability to issue more complete, timely, and accurate iceberg warnings and forecasts, as well as expand the utility of RADARSAT and make more effective and complete use of the data. Since icebergs are a continuing hazard for marine activities, this meets the Environment Canada objective to minimize risks to life and property. Improved iceberg analyses and forecasts also meet the PERD objective to enhance the predictive capability of marine environmental parameters that have a direct bearing on human safety and sound operations.

Objectives

The objective of the work is to investigate potential improvements to ship/iceberg classification algorithms for detection in ENVISAT multi-polarization ASAR (Advanced Synthetic Aperture Radar) data. The basic algorithms were developed using five ASAR scenes collected and ground truthed in April and May, 2003. Recently, a larger data set was captured and ground truthed in the spring of 2003 under the auspices of the European Space Agency sponsored Northern View project. Preliminary analysis of these data has revealed that improvements are possible to the original algorithms. This work will analyze these new data to determine the full extent of ship iceberg classification improvements.

Outputs and Successes

The project has resulted in the successful integration of the IDS (Iceberg Detection Software), developed by C-CORE specifically to comply with CIS information technology architecture and data processing flow. A scientific report clearly summarizing the capabilities of RADARSAT-1 for iceberg detection and specifying the optimal beam modes was presented to the CIS. In addition, the IDS has been enhanced to handle Envisat ASAR data, including the multiple polarization beam modes. Initial testing with multi-polarization ASAR data indicates promise for improving ship vs iceberg discrimination. C-CORE, in conjunction with support from IIMI and the European Space Agency (ESA), offers a "SAR Iceberg Detection Service", along with other services using Envisat ASAR data to oil and gas companies

Two (2) presentations were made by C-CORE staff at the International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS) 2004 in Anchorage, Alaska in September, 2004. Presentations were also made by C-CORE on the technical aspects of this and related programs, as well as plans for operational services delivered through the ESA sponsored "Northern View" program, at the annual Pre-Season CIS-IIP (International Ice Patrol) meeting at IIP HQ in Groton, Connecticut in December, 2003. As part of the Northern View project and their Integrated Ice Management Initiative with east coast exploration and oil/gas industry partners, C-CORE made

several presentations, both nationally and internationally, promoting the SAR Iceberg Detection activities.

Funding

This particular project has become a part of a much larger effort being spearheaded by C-CORE to develop technical capabilities for and services for delivering iceberg information from SAR data. Several groups have contributed significantly to the overall program, both with cash and in-kind contributions to the amount of over $400K. These partners include: the European Space Agency (through the GMES Northern View project funding to C-CORE), the Integrated Ice Management Initiative partners, comprised of east coast oil and gas companies, and Provincial Airlines. In addition, the International Ice Patrol of the US Coast Guard, have become a keen and interested user of SAR-derived iceberg information as delivered by C-CORE using Envisat ASAR data. For the small amount of PERD funding ($35K) provided directly to the CIS for support of this activity, a ten-fold+ leverage of other funding sources is achieved to move towards the common goal of operational utilization of SAR-derived iceberg information in CIS Operations.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$559,000	$507,700
% from PERD	6.3%	4.8%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	25.0%	27.5%
% from Other	68.7%*	67.7%*

Administration

Duration of Project	In year 5 of 6 Scheduled to end 2006.
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* Other contributions are not representative of just this one project - they reflect contributions to an overall larger program which is spearheaded by C-CORE.

Project Title: Operational Ice and Iceberg Modelling

Overview

This project has been in progress since 1987. A project managed by BIO (Bedford Institute of Oceanography) on coupled ice-ocean modeling and the Operational Ice Modeling project are very strongly linked in that the models and research from the BIO project are implemented to support Canadian Ice Service (CIS) operations through the CIS project. This project benefits EC through its improved models and applications of models to improve the reliability and accuracy of CIS ice information services.

Objectives

The overall objective of this project is to improve the safety and efficiency of offshore oil and gas operations in ice affected waters by improving ice analysis and forecast services provided by the CIS. This involves implementing ice R&D conducted in a sister PERD project (Short-term Real-time Ice Forecasting) and also conducting other essential R&D in order to improve the CIS operational ice and iceberg forecast system. Since ice presents the greatest hazard to offshore energy production, this work is focused on the providing the optimum ice guidance to industry.

Outputs and Successes

As an ongoing project the overall goal has been to improve CIS products. Overall the project continues to be on-target and keenly focused on industry needs. The biggest success story has been the industry acceptance and use of the CIS iceberg model. An interface allows industry to input iceberg observations and provides them with forecasts of the iceberg's trajectory. This has become an instrumental aspect of their iceberg management operations. The other main success has been the close collaboration between BIO and CIS and the growing international linkages with US governments (IIP and NIC) and with European ice services.

An overview of specific milestones is provided below:

Progress continues across various thrusts including iceberg modelling, coupled ice-ocean modelling and data assimilation and verification. Coordination remains an important aspect of the project in order to ensure mutual benefits are achieved across industry, government and the academic and international community. Key achievements included: testing of the new CIS iceberg model by industry for their operations; extensive testing of the iceberg model against observed drift tracks; an assessment of thermodynamics models for PIC which indicated a potential approach to introduce state-of-the-art thermodynamics into the model; a workshop on sea ice data assimilation was held; an ice edge verification tool has been developed and will be operationally implemented to compare recent improvements in the CIOM model development against past incarnations; a workshop on sea ice model scale dependence was organized in August 2003 and was very well attended - a report on the workshop has been prepared; and, new directions for sea ice data assimilation and national and international support for these efforts.

Funding

This work is coordinated within Environment Canada with the Climate and Atmospheric Research Directorate, within Canadian federal government departments including DFO, CSA and NRC, with the ice modelling community in Canada through the Sea Ice Model Collaboration Workshop. It is also coordinated with industry activities through PERD workshops and direct communications with industry groups including Provincial Airlines and C-CORE. At the international level, presentations and coordination occur through the North American Ice Service (including US National Ice Centre and International Ice Patrol) and through the International Ice Chart Working Group.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$298,000	$320,000
% from PERD	65%	60.6%
% from A-Base	35%	23.8%
% from Industry	-	7.8%
% from Other	-	7.8%

Administration

Duration of Project	In year 4 of 5 Scheduled to end 2006.
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Project Title: Research and Development Support to the Operational Surface Wind and Wave Model

Overview

This project is a scaled down version of an earlier PERD project aimed at the development of a fully integrated coupled atmosphere-ocean wave data assimilation and short range forecast modeling system. This project involves the development of models to be used in forecasting near-shore ocean waves.

Objectives

The objectives of this project are:

- To ensure the availability of a state of the art high quality wave model for operational use in hindcasting and forecasting
- To improve marine wind forecasting and analysis
- Investigation of extreme mesoscale features, exploitation of remote sensing capabilities, improvements to longer lead time forecasts
- Forecasts of wave spectra and investigation of tropical storms as insight to major impacts for both design and prediction of environmental parameters for the safe development of offshore oil and gas infrastructure for the short, medium and long term.

Outputs and Successes

Work in 2003-2004 concentrated mainly on the development and testing of technical and scientific upgrades to the wave model. Comparison tests with different high resolution configurations of the wind and wave model (WAM) were completed and published in 2002. In 2003, a new higher resolution version of the model has been evaluated in collaboration with Atlantic Region of Environment Canada. In keeping with emphasis in the international community on wave model research for near-shore and shallow water wave simulations, a new model specifically designed to work well in shallow water with varying bottom topography was obtained. The model, called the K-model was developed in Germany, and a collaborative project has been initiated to comparatively evaluate this model for shallow water/ near-shore applications in Canadian waters. The results of this work (Project item 1) will form the basis for decisions about the next version of the operational model. Work completed on this project resulted in three requests for implementation of the upgraded version of WAM. To make this feasible, work is underway to parallelize WAM for use on the new IBM supercomputer. These requests for operational implementation have resulted in the decision to hire a scientist to specialize in the wave model. This is expected to facilitate the transfer of the PERD-supported research results into operations in future.

Work in 2004-2005 concentrated mainly on the development and testing of technical and scientific upgrades to the wave model, and on the development of a wave model formulation specifically tuned to near shore and shallow water applications. This model was tested for L. Erie, where the water is shallow and where observations are available to validate the model. Results indicate that at the resolution in use for L. Erie (4 km grid), changes in the formulation will be required; these will be carried out and tested in the coming months. This project is in collaboration with Dr. Arno Behrens of GKSS, and is funded partially by the SAR new initiatives fund.

The latest upgrade to WAM to be accepted by CMC for implementation, version 4.5, optimized for the IBM supercomputer and 10 times faster than the previous version, is now running in parallel at CMC; full operational implementation is expected soon.

Funding

This PERD project increased in its leverage capability considerably during 2004-05.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$132,000	$316,300
% from PERD	100%	100%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	$200,000*

Administration

Duration of Project	In year 3 of 4 Scheduled to end 2006.
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*This leverage amount is cited in the project report for 2004-05 but is not included in the funding resource summary so details on whether this funding is from industry or other sources were not available.

STRATEGIC INTENT 1 - OIL AND GAS SECTOR

Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 1.2.2

Carry Out R&D in Aid to Regulatory Requirements for the Eventual Production of Oil and Gas in the North

Strategic Intent 1

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 provides S&T to extend and diversify Canada's oil and gas production from offshore and northern regions through the development of the science and technology needed for standards and regulations, and to reduce costs and mitigate environmental and safety concerns. Priority will be given to R&D related to new sources of natural gas.

Objective 1.2.2: Carry Out R&D in Aid to Regulatory Requirements for the Eventual Production of Oil and Gas in the North

POL 1.2.2—Northern Hydrocarbon Production

Hydrocarbon exploration activities are rapidly progressing in the Northwest Territories as the oil industry moves north along the Mackenzie Valley into the Delta and over the next several years into the Beaufort nearshore. Interest is also growing for sedimentary basins in the Yukon and in Nunavut, in particular in the Arctic Archipelago and the northeastern Continental Margin. In the past, exploration activities were the main focus and resulted in the ability to cope with short term explorations but not necessarily long term development activities. Science and technology is currently the focus of the Northern Hydrocarbon Production POL Plan, as it relates to identifying and mitigating environmental, geotechnical and engineering constraints to northern hydrocarbon development (exploration and production).

Some of the highlights of this POL include an extensive record of ice ridging and thickness that is continuous since April 1991; an extensive knowledge of these factors is essential in order to understand marine hazards in hydrocarbon development. A multi-tasked prototype of the ice-profiling sonar has been developed with collaboration of ASL Environmental Sciences Inc. Natural gas hydrates contain a source of highly concentrated natural gas in the form of methane. Gas hydrates are found in sub-oceanic sediments in polar regions (shallow water) and in continental slope sediments (deep water) where pressure and temperature conditions make it stable. Many new insights were gained on gas hydrates in the Mackenzie Delta such as the stability of the occurrence of free gas in contact with gas hydrates and the occurrence of gas hydrates within permafrost; this is the first extensive production testing of a gas hydrate deposit. A project led by EC is gathering critical information in order to reduce the risk of environmental damages resulting from the use of sumps in connection with exploration for oil and gas in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the Northwest Territories. Maps, guides and data will indicate areas where the use of sumps should be avoided.

An advisory committee leads the identification and investigation of constraints to hydrocarbon development. This committee has representatives from the oil industry, National Energy Board, Inuvialuit First Nation, and five government departments: Natural Resources Canada, Indian

and Northern Affairs Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Environment Canada and the National Research Council. Funding sources and partners in the POL include several federal departments (NRCan, EC, DFO, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada), Canadian Museum of Nature, the Government of the Northwest Territories, the Inuvialuit Social Development Program, private industry, the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP), US Geological Survey, and the Canadian Space Agency. The following activities are included under POL 1.2.2:

- Environmental Factors
- Goetechnical Factors
- Engineering Factors.

In 2003-2004, POL 1.2.2 was in its second year of a new four-year POL plan. EC manages one project in this POL, started in 2002 under the environmental factors theme area. The total budget for this POL in 2003-04 was not available, but the total PERD funds were $1,213,000. The budget amounts for 2004-05 were not available.

Table 2. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.2.2 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds %	
	2003-04	2004-05
NRCan	N/A	N/A
EC	N/A	N/A
NRC	N/A	N/A
DFO	N/A	N/A
INAC	N/A	N/A

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.2.2

Project Title: Minimizing Environmental Risk from Petroleum Exploration in the Lower Mackenzie River Valley of the NWT

Overview

This project addresses concerns regarding the environmental damages resulting from activities relating to the exploration of oil and gas. The project focuses on the management of drilling wastes and liquid wastes from camps, as these are the major waste streams produced during petroleum exploration. The work will focus on production and delivery of constraint maps and guides to indicate areas where there may be a risk to infrastructure (sumps/pads/pipelines) or the environment. Tools developed through this research will be designed for use by government agencies, regulators, industry and communities to ensure the sustainability (balance of environment and economic concerns) of this important industry.

Objectives

The primary objective of this project is to develop tools that can be used to reduce the risk of environmental damages resulting from the exploration for oil and gas.

Outputs and Successes

Project highlights include:

- Completed feasibility study for preparation of constraint maps which includes data descriptions, gaps identification, methodology, and next steps. Currently, the required data for completion of the maps does not exist. However, a federally funded project to develop a digital elevation model (DEM Project) for the Mackenzie Delta will create a publicly available data set that can be used as a foundation to develop constraint maps.
- Completed two peer reviewed background reports that describe the physical environment and issues related to contaminant transport in permafrost. Both reports include a literature review and bibliography. The reports provide the scientific background for the development of constraint mapping risk based decision models.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005**
Project Budget	$65,000	-
% from PERD	62.0%	-
% from A-Base	23.0%	-
% from Industry	7.5%	-
% from Other	7.5%	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 2 of 4 Scheduled to end 2006
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* The project was dormant during 2004-05.

STRATEGIC INTENT 1 - OIL AND GAS SECTOR

Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 1.2.3

Regulatory Requirements for the Safe and Efficient Transportation of Oil and Gas by Tankers, and for the Other Occupational and Public Safety Standards

Strategic Intent 1

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 provides S&T to extend and diversify Canada's oil and gas production from offshore and northern regions through the development of the science and technology needed for standards and regulations, and to reduce costs and mitigate environmental and safety concerns. Priority will be given to R&D related to new sources of natural gas.

Objective 1.2.3: Regulatory Requirements for the Safe and Efficient Transportation of Oil and Gas by Tankers, and for the Other Occupational and Public Safety Standards

POL 1.2.3—Marine Transportation and Safety (MTS)

Canada's offshore areas are often under severe environmental conditions. The safe and efficient transportation of hydrocarbons by tankers not only requires an understanding of equipment, systems and operations, but also of how the tankers and their personnel are affected by these environmental conditions while in normal or emergency situations (such as escape, evacuation and rescue). The Marine Transportation and Safety (MTS) POL plan groups coordinated research initiatives from various federal departments that involve regulatory requirements relating to the safe and efficient transport of oil and gas by tankers and for related personnel safety needs. The research inputs into the fulfillment of governmental department mandates in support of energy development and sustainable development; provides the ability to make timely and economical engineering decisions and regulatory approvals and help to improve human safety and ensure environmentally safe oil and gas operations.

Some highlights within this POL include recorded data on detection distances of bergy bits; this resulted in the deployment of 5 Advanced Radar systems to key commercial and governmental clients. A draft of an operational guideline for escape, evacuation and rescue from offshore petroleum installations has also been completed; this will lead to a standard for use by industry and regulators. EC has contributed to the expansion of knowledge on the process of calving, drift, dispersion and deterioration of bergy bits. Critical data was taken in cold and moderate sea states as opposed to previous observations in warm and calm seas. Improved bergy bit size distribution parameterization was derived and the overall understanding of the melt of bergy bits has significantly improved. An advisory group with non-vested interests provides a strategic overview of each activity and the POL as a whole, and determines the best mix of projects that can be done. Each project involves collaboration with various government departments such as NRCan, DFO, NRC, Transport Canada, regulators, CAPP, the oil and gas industry and various contractors and consultants.

The following activities are included under POL 1.2.3:

- Offshore Safety
- Marine Operations
- Ship Design

For 2003-2004, the POL plan included 9 individual projects of one- or two year duration. In 2004-2005, POL 1.2.3 was in its third year of a four-year POL Plan. EC is leading 2 of these projects under the Marine Operations activity. The total budget for POL 1.2.3 in 2003-04 was $1,443,000, and the total PERD funds were $685,000 of this amount. In 2004-05, the total budget for this POL was $2,551,000, with a total PERD funding of $1,001,000.

Table 3. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.2.3 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	13.9%	5.0%
EC	17.5%	23.3%
NRC	39.4%	40.4%
TC	29.2%	17.7%
DFO	-	13.6%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.2.3

Project Title: Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions and Local Forecasting of Bergy Bits

Overview

This project started in 2001-2002 and is an offshoot of the Operational Ice Modelling project in the OEF POL. Prediction of Small Glacial Mass Distributions looks into issues more related to energy transportation. Work planned for 2005 includes bergy bits land based field experiments monitoring grounded icebergs to collect information on iceberg calving frequency, bergy bit drift and calved mass. In addition, the CIS bergy bit model will be refined using a new coupled ice-ocean model as an ocean driver. Environmental driving forces will also be reviewed by CIS and IIP. Final refinements to the local model will be tested and implemented. Documentation and prototype code will be provided to industry clients. Archieplago Ice Model: the highest priority ice features prevalent to the archipelago will be investigated to determine potential for inclusion in an operational ice model. This will include both a modelling approach and a physical features approach.

Objectives

The main objective of this project is to improve the safety of energy transportation (shuttle tankers) by developing better iceberg and bergy bit models and products. This project benefits EC through its improved iceberg models and more accurate iceberg products.

Outputs and Successes

Outputs of this project include an improved understanding of bergy bit characteristics, improved iceberg models and products as well as journal publications. This project has been able to collect highly valued information regarding bergy bits as well as new findings that have expanded world knowledge about the process of calving, drift, dispersion and deterioration of small glacial masses. For example, a significant number of new calving observations have been made in May 2002. This data is critical since it was taken in cold and moderate sea states as opposed to previous observations in warm and calm seas. An improved bergy bit size distribution parameterization has been derived and an overall understanding of the melt of bergy bits has improved. A bergy bit and iceberg workshop was conducted in St John's, Newfoundland in 2003 to provide clients and collaborators with feedback on project progress as well as gather support for 2004 field experiment collaborations. As a result, commitments were offered by industry partners to provide some of their surface based resources. In addition, a somewhat clearer definition of industry requirements for bergy bit products was developed

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$205,000	$217,000
% from PERD	58.5%	55.0%
% from A-Base	22.0%	26.0%
% from Industry	19.5%	9.5%
% from Other	-	9.5%

Administration

Duration of Project	In year 3 of 4 Scheduled to end 2006.
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Project Title: Critical Aspects of changes in Sea Ice Cover on Energy Production

Overview

This project was formerly included in POL 6.1.1. It moved into POL 1.2.3 in 2004, due to the integrated research being undertaken within that POL. This work involves generating estimates of the flux of sea ice through the main channels of the Arctic Islands, Baffin Bay and Davis Strait using Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer (AMSR) satellite data. In addition, sea ice concentration estimates from AMSR are compared with the digitized CIS ice charts to assess the accuracy of concentration algorithms developed by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) for the Baffin Bay/Davis Strait region. This research assists CIS by providing information for clients. It also generates models that can be used to support our sea ice operations.

Objectives

To provide detailed assessment and interpretation of recent sea ice cover trends over Canadian marine areas of importance to hydrocarbon development and transportation and to provide guidance to the oil and gas industry on the implications of these trends.

Outputs and Successes

Highlights include:

- 2003/04 - compared four sea-ice algorithms with CIS ice charts, results for the NasaTeam algorithm are published in Atmosphere-Ocean (Dec, 2003)
- 2004/05 - Estimated sea ice flux through the main channels of the Canadian Arctic Islands, Baffin Bay and Davis Strait for the winter of 02/03, 03/04 and 04/05 using latest passive microwave satellite AMSR-E (Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer).
- 2004/05 - Co-authored a paper on atmospheric controls on the transport of sea ice through Nares Strait (Geophy. Res. Letters, Evidence for atmospheric control of sea-ice motion through Nares Strait, Vol. 33, L02506, doi:10.1029/2005GL025016)

Funding

This project is greatly benefiting from a collaboration of climate experts at Fisheries and Oceans – the Institute of Ocean Sciences and Bedford Institute of Oceanography and Environment Canada - the Canadian Centre for Climate Modelling and Analysis, the Climate Research Branch and the Canadian Ice Service.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$143,500	$133,500
% from PERD	40.7%	43.8%
% from A-Base	31.5%	33.7%
% from Industry	27.8%	22.5%
% from Other	-	
Administration		
Duration of Project	In year 4 of 5 Scheduled to end 2006.	
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STRATEGIC INTENT 1 - OIL AND GAS SECTOR
Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 1.3.1
Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative (UPAIRI)

Strategic Intent 1

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 3

Provide the necessary Science and Technology to address the cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and off-shore oil and gas resources.

Objective 1.3.1: Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative (UPAIRI)

POL 1.3.1— Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative (UPAIRI)

This POL, formerly entitled "The Regulation and Reduction of GHG and Other Atmospheric Emissions, Primarily from Flaring", has expanded its objective to include not only flaring related air issues, but also air issues associated with all upstream oil and gas (UOG) activities and infrastructure. It has been re-titled accordingly.

The Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative (UPAIRI) POL 1.3.1 is a coordinated research initiative to reduce or eliminate the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) and potentially harmful Criteria Air Contaminant (CAC) emissions associated with the upstream oil and gas industry. While the majority of upstream oil and gas industry environmental activity and issues are currently under provincial regulatory jurisdiction by virtue of devolution under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA), it is incumbent upon the federal government to ensure the continuing research into the development of science based regulatory frameworks through programs such as PERD.

Ongoing development of regulations and best management practices is predicated upon a current knowledge and understanding of the technological limits that stand in the way of achieving a predetermined environmental objective. Investment in the identification and elimination of these technological limits is a vital component of progressive environmental policy, which seeks to maintain or improve the quality of the environment. In keeping with this understanding, POL 1.3.1 activities are concerned with both GHG emissions and the associated climate change concerns as well as CAC emissions and air quality.

The successful completion of POL 1.3.1 activities during the previous research cycle have provided significant opportunities for relevant applied field trials to accurately measure both GHG and CAC emissions from UOG facilities using open path optical technologies to monitor emission plumes. This versatile and mobile capacity to monitor and spatially resolve UOG emissions concentrations, regardless of physical topography or atmospheric variables, has never before existed. Results currently indicate an accurate capacity to remotely identify individual emission sources and chemically characterize and quantify the detected emissions. One example cited in the report identifies a facility which, upon having its fugitive emissions

sources identified and repairing the detected leaks, reduced methane and Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions by 50% and 93% respectively. This reduction in fugitive emissions resulted in increased sales gas volumes from the facility, which increased facility revenues by approximately $800,000. Hence, this study has been effective in accurately communicating to both industry and government regulators that environmental stewardship can have economic benefits directly related to energy conservation.

As well, POL 1.3.1 research has resulted in the preliminary development of an open path optical technology to characterize, quantify and size distribute particulate matter emissions using direct or sky scattered solar radiation as the light source for the measurements. The project was completed at the end of fiscal year 2004-05 and results were immediately presented to the PTAC Air Research Planning Committee for dissemination. As a result of this presentation, the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) immediately committed $200K ($100K annually in fiscal years 2005-06 and 2006-07) for investment towards the continuation of this very novel technology research.

The UPAIRI POL activities encompass the following subject matters:

- Optical Technology
- Predictive Model Development

EC participates in all the projects within this POL. During fiscal year 2003-04, there were 3 projects that EC was managing, with a total budget of $1,333,800 in funding, and total PERD resources were $585,000 of this amount. During fiscal year 2004-05 there were another 3 projects under EC's responsibility, with a total budget of $636,100 in funding, and the total PERD resources available were $270,800 of this amount.

Table 4. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.3.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
EC	100%	85.5%
POL Coordination EC	-	14.5%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.3.1

Project Title: Flare Performance and Speciation

Overview

This research involved flaring performance and speciation of emissions from oil and gas infrastructure.

Objectives

The goals of this research are to stimulate technological advances that will help reduce flaring and the atmospheric release of potentially harmful products of incomplete combustion. The program will also provide the substantive science needed to underpin regulatory initiatives.

Outputs and Successes

Output 1: Scaling Relationships and Models for Plume Size and Flame Length: Scale relationships were previously developed to predict the full scale size of the thermal plume. The validity of these scaling relationships was checked and the experimental results verified that the scale up factors developed were valid. Sub-scale experimentation and predictive flame length model development occurred at the University of Alberta. Full scale experimentation indicated with confidence that the notion that data collected from sub-scale flares can be used to predict the performance of full scale flares.

Output 2: Methodology Development for Crosswind Testing and Validation of Flare Efficiency: A method to measure flare combustion efficiency under crosswind conditions was developed for use in the NRC facility. Research provided confidence to the notion that data collected from sub-scale flares can be used to predict the performance of full scale flares.

Output 3: Predictive Flare Combustion Efficiency Model Development for Use by Industry and Industry Regulators: Multi-variable predictive flare combustion efficiency models were presented at the 29th International Symposium on Combustion in Sapporo Japan in 2003. These models were subsequently incorporated into the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB) guidance documentation as well as the World Bank Global Gas Flaring Reduction Standard which was presented internationally in May of 2004.

Output 4: Well Test Flaring: Industry collaborators expressed interest in expanding the scope of this research mandate to include the collection of data to determine combustion efficiency of well test flares as well as solution gas flares. In-situ field trials using an open path differential LIDAR optical technology verified the scalability of the predictive model to field operating parameters and conditions.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$440,500	-
% from PERD	43.0%	-
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	22.7%	-
% from Other	34.3%	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 4 of 4 Scheduled to end 2004
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Project Title: Fate and Transport

Overview

This research pertains to the fate and transport of emissions from test flares in addition to solution gas flaring relating to oil and gas production infrastructure.

Objectives

Research was carried out to identify and evaluate suitable methods to track plumes from well test flares and to monitor ground level sulphur dioxide (SO_2) concentrations to ensure compliance with environmental guidelines. Several optical remote sensing technologies were identified as having merit and were evaluated.

Outputs and Successes

Output 5: SO_2 Optical Laser Equipment Testing: The Differential Absorption LIDAR technology known as DIAL was identified as the best technique to use for remote monitoring of flare plumes for mass emission and dispersion of compounds such as methane (CH_4) and Sulphur Dioxide (SO_2) simultaneously under field conditions in varying topography and weather conditions. This optical technology was deployed during the final year of the POL 1.3.1 research cycle in 2004 in order to monitor such things as flare combustion efficiency and pollutant dispersion within the flare plume.

Output 6: Open Path Optical Technology Field Trials: The Differential Absorption LIDAR technology known as DIAL was brought to Canada for field trials during the final year of the 2004 POL 1.3.1 cycle. The scope of the trials was expanded to monitor emissions from entire facilities rather than limiting the analysis to emissions from flaring alone. The DIAL technology proved to be highly effective at identifying fugitive and exhaust stream emissions from individual process units as well as the entire facility. Facilities monitored include sweet gas plants, sour gas plants and a sour well test flare. Real time results of the sour well test monitoring study were subsequently used to compare predicted SO_2 emissions data generated by three commonly used atmospheric dispersion models. Modeled results were shown to differ from actual in-situ conditions. This outcome verified the inability of a predictive atmospheric model to fully account for topographical and localized meteorological influences. Hence, the DIAL technology proved to be highly effective in determining emissions mass fluxes and monitoring atmospheric dispersion in real time.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$767,000	-
% from PERD	47.8%	-
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	52.2%	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 4 of 4 Scheduled to end 2004
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Project Title: Flaring Regulatory Development

Overview

Emissions reduction is facilitated through provision of S&T to address cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and offshore oil and gas resources and the regulation and reduction of atmospheric emissions, primarily from flaring. Therefore, collaborative science based regulatory development is considered effective in ensuring that environmental performance of industrial sectors is continuously optimized in an environmentally sustainable manner.

Objectives

To engage stakeholders in all flaring related research undertaken by the POL and to incorporate research results into their regulatory frameworks.

Outputs and Successes

- The Alberta Energy and Utilities Board has been a key partner in all flaring related research activities undertaken by the POL and have directly incorporated research results from this POL into their regulatory framework.
- Several international jurisdictions have initiated action towards the reduction of flaring and its emissions. The World Bank's Global Gas Flaring Reduction Partnership (GGFRP) has recognized the recently developed Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB) Flaring Guide as a progressive, science based regulatory framework which has significantly reduced gas flaring in Alberta. The World Bank has now introduced a Global Gas Venting and Flaring Reduction Standard which is modeled directly from the AEUB Guide 60. This Global Standard was unveiled in May, 2004.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$126,300	-
% from PERD	23.0%	-
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	3.6%	-
% from Other	73.4%	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 4 of 4 Scheduled to end 2004
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Project Title: Optical Measurement Technology for Upstream Oil and Gas Facility Fugitive Emissions (Differential Absorption LIDAR)

Overview

Optical technology is used to detect, monitor or quantify gaseous emissions from upstream oil and gas infrastructure or activities. The development of open path optical technology will allow for more accurate quantification of emissions from upstream oil and gas infrastructure or activities.

Objectives

The objectives of this project were to review and field test available optical technologies to detect, monitor or quantify gaseous emissions from one sweet gas plant and one sour gas plant in Alberta during field trials in 2004.

Outputs and Successes

Leak detection surveys using the Hawk hand held gas-leak imaging camera were conducted at both gas plants. This imaging technology allows for the rapid and cost effective detection of hydrocarbon leaks and the identification of the source of the detected leak. Once identified, leaks were characterized for hydrocarbon species and quantified using the DIAL technology.

This study has verified stated POL 1.3.1 concerns that significant under estimation or over estimation of facility emissions is occurring in Canada. These erroneous emissions estimates are then reported to the federal government and inventoried. Given that fugitive emissions from oil and gas facilities are significant GHG and pollutant contributors and that Canada is signatory to binding international agreements to manage and reduce these emissions it is critically important to develop capacity to accurately determine national emission levels.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$293,000
% from PERD	-	33.0%
% from A-Base	-	15.0%
% from Industry	-	52.0%
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 4 Scheduled to end 2008
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Project Title: Optical Measurement Technology for Upstream Oil and Gas PM Emissions (Open Path Solar Radiation Based Plume Opacity)

Overview

The emissions of fine Particulate Matter (PM) is a primary environmental concern and has been linked to serious health effects in humans and animals, adverse effects in plants and general environmental damage. In Canada, emissions of both PM 10 (particulate matter less than 10 m in diameter) and PM 2.5 (less than 2.5 m in diameter) are classed as Criteria Air Contaminants (CAC) and as such, accurate quantification and reporting of these emissions is a federal requirement under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). As well, Canada is currently negotiating a PM emissions treaty with the United States, the results of which will commit Canada to certain performance measures with respect to the characterization, quantification and size distribution and subsequent reduction of its national PM emissions, which can be transported atmospherically across the Canada-US border.

Objectives

Despite the scientific need and legal requirement(s) for characterizing, quantifying and reporting of PM emissions, critical gaps exist in our current ability to accurately obtain these data. Current methods for PM emissions quantification include human observations of plume opacity and Light Detection and Ranging Technique (LIDAR). The objective of this research is to develop a technology to improve these measurements. Work has been ongoing on the development of a technology to make monochromatic plume transmissivity measurements using direct or sky scattered solar radiation as the light source for the measurements. Detailed analytical work during the first year of this project has indicated a real potential for the ability of this technique to quantify PM emissions from unconfined sources such as plumes.

Outputs and Successes

Results of this study have proven very encouraging and have garnered significant interest among the Upstream Oil and Gas industry and atmospheric PM researchers. The project was completed at the end of fiscal year 2004-05 and results were immediately presented to the PTAC Air Research Planning Committee for dissemination. As a result of this presentation, the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) immediately committed $200K ($100K annually in fiscal years 2005-06 and 2006-07) for investment towards the continuation of this very novel technology research.

Technical papers are currently were undergoing peer review during 2005. This research was e presented at the annual PTAC Air Issues Forum in Calgary in the autumn of 2005.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$85,200
% from PERD	-	38.0%
% from A-Base	-	17.0%
% from Industry	-	45.0%
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 4 Scheduled to end 2008
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Project Title: Quantitative Prediction Model of Total GHG Emissions from Solution Gas Flares

Overview

This project builds upon POL 1.3.1 studies concerning the development of scientifically rigorous predictive algorithms to accurately quantify combustion efficiency and mathematically explain physical fuel stripping mechanisms for sweet solution gas flares. The current three year study has expanded the scope through the development of algorithms which employ the detailed flare operation activity data to quantify the total GHG emissions from solution gas flares.

Objectives

Accurate quantification of GHG equivalent emissions from Upstream Oil and Gas activities or infrastructure is an extraordinarily challenging problem, which is exacerbated by a lack of accurate measurement techniques or protocols and the enormous population nationally of upstream oil and gas infrastructure. Given Canada's binding commitments to accurately quantify and subsequently reduce GHG emissions under international treaties, it is incumbent upon the federal government to identify significant GHG emission sources with a high statistical uncertainty associated with their activity data. Solution gas flaring is one such source in remote unmanned locations and with variable frequency. Therefore, in order to accurately characterize and quantify these flaring emissions, scientifically robust representative predictive models and protocols for their use must be developed to estimate the emissions associated with this activity.

Outputs and Successes

Given that the initial POL 1.3.1 studies concerning the development of scientifically rigorous predictive algorithms to quantify combustion efficiency and mathematically explain physical fuel stripping mechanisms for sweet solution gas flares were highly praised internationally and have been incorporated into domestic and international flaring regulatory frameworks, it is reasonable to assume that results of this research will also have immediate international uptake.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$122,200
% from PERD	-	46.7%
% from A-Base	-	20.6%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	32.7%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 3 Scheduled to end 2007
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STRATEGIC INTENT 1 - OIL AND GAS SECTOR
Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 1.3.2
Regulation, Construction and Maintenance of Pipelines

Strategic Intent 1

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 3

Provide the necessary Science and Technology to address the cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and off-shore oil and gas resources.

Objective 1.3.2: Regulation, Construction and Maintenance of Pipelines

POL 1.3.2 – Pipelines

This POL supports the regulation and maintenance of aging pipelines and the regulation and construction of new pipelines using methods that are economic and environmentally acceptable. Activities focus mainly on: assessment of terrain conditions and natural hazards for new and existing pipelines; testing and assessment of the performance of pipeline materials; and development of a risk-based framework for the pipeline industry and regulators. The main priority of the current program is northern pipelines, specifically, research into aspects of the onshore, arctic, and offshore pipeline systems.

The goal of this POL is to support research that will develop new or improved design methods, analytical models and tools, construction and manufacturing processes, maintenance and operation procedures, and equipment for energy pipelines.

This POL was in a 4-year POL plan which ended on March 31, 2004. Environment Canada is managing 2 projects within this POL. Total funding for the POL's activities in 2003-04 was $3,300,000, which included $1,500,000 in PERD funds. Funding information for 2004-05 was not available. A breakdown of allocation by department was not available.

Table 5. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.3.2 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	N/A	N/A
EC	N/A	N/A
NRC	N/A	N/A
DFO	N/A	N/A
POL Coordination EC	N/A	N/A

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.3.2

Project Title: Evaluating rapid lake drainage events in the northern Mackenzie region: Potential risks to pipelines

Overview

This project involves researching to identify previously drained lakes in order to assess the potential risks to pipelines. This is the first year of this project.

Objectives

1: Determine the rate of lake drainage in the gas production/pipeline areas of the Mackenzie Delta region over the last 30 to 50 years.
2: Consider the hydrologic and permafrost conditions responsible for rapid lake drainage.

Outputs and Successes

- Developed maps showing previously drained lakes and pingos in the study region (completed 2005)
- Develop a GIS system to include: moderate resolution DEM, lakes and streams, permafrost ice content, previously drained lakes (ongoing).
- Publication: Marsh, P. 2005. Hydrology of small lakes in the Mackenzie delta region: water, climate and permafrost interactions. Workshop on Arctic Lakes, Carlton University, Feb. 11, 2005.

Funding

This project began in 2004-05, but financial details are not available.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	N/A
% from PERD	-	N/A
% from A-Base	-	N/A
% from Industry	-	N/A
% from Other	-	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 Scheduled to end: N/A
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Project Title: Climate change impacts on cold-regions hydrologic processes and extreme events associated with the hydro-electric and oil/gas industries in western and northern Canada

Overview

The hydrologic regime, and potential climate related changes, are significant to energy exploration, production, and transmission, including both hydro-electric and oil/gas, in western and northern Canada. This study will consider past changes in the hydrologic regime, modify and test existing hydrologic models and linkages to atmospheric models, and consider future hydrologic changes that have implications to the energy industry. Work will focus geographically on the southern Mackenzie and Cordillera where hydro-electric concerns dominate, and the continuous permafrost region of the northern Mackenzie where oil and gas development is currently of primary concern.

Objectives

The objectives of the proposed work are to improve understanding of the climatological and hydrological factors that affect energy production and transmission, particularly hydro-electric power in western Canada, and oil and gas development in northwestern Canada. Through a climate model based approach, this study will also quantify the effects of a changing climate, particularly extreme hydrological events and changes in permafrost, on energy production and transmission. As well initial steps will be taken with respect to adaptation to climate change through the development of an operating strategy for hydro-electric facilities to control downstream extreme events and minimize water-resource conflicts.

Outputs and Successes

- Assessment of impacts of changing snow-reserves on hydro-electric generating capacity in Western Canada (2003, development of snow and ice archive; 2004, assessment of GCM model predictions for regional snow cover; first analysis of synoptic anomaly trends 2004) (complete).
- Predictions of altered flow regime for application in the Peace River Basin with a view to enhance the analysis towards the entire western Cordillera (complete).
- Assessment of the impact of altered ice and flooding regimes on the regulation strategies and power-production potential of the hydro-electric industry in Western Canada (complete)
- Predictions of climate induced changes to the river and lake ice regimes in northern Canada (temperature based regional predictions 2004) (ongoing)
- Validated models for predicting changes in hydrologic regimes (ongoing):
- Initial assessment of the impacts of climate change on snow, permafrost, lakes and runoff in the northern Mackenzie region (ongoing).

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$782,400	N/A
% from PERD	14.0%	N/A
% from A-Base	60.0%	N/A
% from Industry	-	N/A
% from Other	26.0%	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 3 Scheduled to end: N/A
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STRATEGIC INTENT 1 - OIL AND GAS SECTOR
Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 1.3.3
The remediation of groundwater and soil

Strategic Intent 1

Strategic Intent 1 is to fulfill federal government responsibilities while maximizing economic benefits and reducing environmental consequences from the expansion and diversification of Canada's oil and gas production.

Strategic Intent 1 · Strategic Direction 3

Provide the necessary Science and Technology to address the cross-cutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore and off-shore oil and gas resources.

Objective 1.3.3: The remediation of groundwater and soil.

POL 1.3.3 — Soil and groundwater remediation

Oil and gas production impacts on groundwater and soils. The Soil and Groundwater Remediation POL was designed to increase the knowledge base on contaminant transport and transformation in soil and groundwater, and determine the degree to which flora and microbial communities can contribute to hydrocarbon degradation. Activities of POL 1.3.3 aim to develop more economic, effective, efficient, and environmentally innocuous remediation technologies with the goal of making them more appealing to site owners than conventional methods. The POL also aims to contribute to the development of standards and regulations for acceptable levels of residual hydrocarbons in soils and groundwater.

Some highlights within this POL include:

- "The Role of Sulfate Reduction in the Bioremediation of Petroleum Contamination in Groundwater" - This study described the fate, transport, biodegradation and natural attenuation of hydrocarbon contamination at 3 oil and gas sites in Alberta, with a focus on field investigations. Specifically, the study investigated the role of sulfate reduction in the natural attenuation of hydrocarbon contaminants in groundwater ways to enhance/stimulate the anaerobic biodegradation process. This project contributed research toward a better understanding of the behaviour of petroleum contaminants in soil and water, and how to remediate this contamination.
- 2. "Thermally Enhanced Biodegradation" – This project investigated the possibility of combining bioremediation and Underground Thermal Energy Storage (UTES) in a synergistic way that will enhance the bioremediation process of target contaminants. This first phase of the project, funded through PERD, focused on a literature review and initial investigative activities to identify possible contaminants, site conditions, indigenous microbial consortia, and methods of applying heat that would be advantageous from both environmental and economic perspectives. The next phase of the project will characterize the indigenous microbial consortium at potential field demonstration sites. Laboratory studies will also be conducted with soils from these sites to evaluate the effect of temperature on biodegradation rates, as well as the upper temperature limit for biodegradation. The laboratory testing is expected to occur in fiscal year 2005-06 with

funding from Environment Canada. Pending available funding, a field demonstration is scheduled to occur in fiscal year 2007-08.

- 3. "Microbial Ecology for the Evaluation of Bioremediation in Challenging Conditions" - The aim of this project was to develop techniques to enable the use of microbial ecology to assess natural attenuation and novel remediation technologies, and to apply them to projects in challenging environments such as anaerobic conditions in northern environments and biofilms in fractured rock. The analyses performed assessed the differences in microbial communities, the effects of contaminants on the formation, stability, and microbial composition of biofilms in fractured media, and between soil cores and water.

The POL has continued its involvement and partnership with industry and industrial groups, such as the Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada (PTAC) and the Canadian Petroleum Producers of Canada (CAPP) and other stakeholder and university research partners. Our POL members are now working quite closely with their industry counterparts on Soil and Groundwater R&D. Many of our Technical members are also members of PTAC's Soil and Groundwater Research Committee (SGRC), the Consortium for Research on Natural Attenuation (CORONA) Committee and PTAC's Weathered Hydrocarbon Group. The POL has also developed international partnerships.

The POL also aims to contribute to the development of standards and regulations for acceptable levels of residual hydrocarbons in soils and groundwater. The long-term goal and intended influence of this POL is to reduce the environmental impact of oil and gas production on groundwater and soils through the development and adoption of mitigation techniques. Twelve projects were included in the research activities of POL 1.3.3 in 2004-05 focusing on 3 activity areas as recommended by experts and advisors with knowledge of groundwater or soil remediation and are indicated in the POL plan, as follows:

- Toxicity, Bioavailability and Relevant Ecological Endpoints
- Fate, Transport, Biodegradation and Natural Attenuation
- Remediation Under Challenging Conditions

These areas allowed for 8 reports, 31 presentations and 16 publications to be produced over the year, helping to promote the accomplishments of the POL; allowing for knowledge and technology transfer; and the development of partnerships, both domestically and internationally.

For fiscal year 2003-04 the total annual budget for POL 1.3.3. was $770,000, and all of this was PERD funding. For fiscal year 2004-05, the total budget for POL 1.3.3. was $2,090,500, and $867,000 was PERD funding. There were 13 projects in this POL managed by Environment Canada during fiscal years 2003 - 3005.

Table 6. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 1.3.3 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	2.5%	-
EC	97.5%	100%
POL Coordination EC	-	-

Environment Canada Projects for POL 1.3.3

Project Title: The role of sulfate reduction in the biodegradation of petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater

Overview

This project is a component of two of the three redefined POL Activities: Activity 2, Remediation under challenging conditions; Activity 3, Fate, transport, and biodegradation for monitored natural attenuation. This project contributes directly to two POL Outputs: 1) Improved/ validated input data for existing models or new predictive models characterizing the fate and behaviour of hydrocarbons in anaerobic environments; and Output 2) Remediation Technologies developed for hydrocarbon contamination in groundwater or soil (Potentially a new technology to enhance remediation of hydrocarbons in groundwater via sulphate reduction). This project also contributes towards POL Outcome 2: Improved methods, standards and protocols for use by industry and regulators to remediate soil and groundwater.

A key part of Environment Canada's mandate is to preserve and enhance the quality of the natural environment, including water, air and soil. This project contributes toward this mandate by contributing research toward a better understanding of the behaviour of petroleum contaminants in soil and water, and a better understanding of how to remediate this contamination, thus contributing toward enhancement of water and soil quality. Environment Canada's mission is to make sustainable development a reality in Canada. This research project makes a contribution toward sustainable development by providing information relevant to selection of best practises for remediation of contaminated sites.

Objectives

The two main objectives are:

- To investigate the role of bacterial sulphate reduction in natural attenuation of hydrocarbon contaminants in groundwater,
- To develop technique(s) to enhance/stimulate anaerobic biodegradation.

Outputs and Successes

Both field and laboratory research have yielded important results. Field investigations at three or more Canadian sites focus on the biodegradation of petroleum hydrocarbon contaminant plumes under anaerobic, sulphate-rich conditions. Parallel laboratory batch tests use samples from the research sites, under anaerobic conditions, at various sulphate concentrations. Modeling and interpretation of results of field and laboratory data will continue into 2005/06 (funded by National Water Research Institute, without PERD funding)

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$110,000	$175,000
% from PERD	72.7%	45.7%
% from A-Base	-	42.9%
% from Industry	27.3%	11.4%
% from Other	-	-

Administration

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Project Title: Subsurface Fate Of Contaminants From Sumps And Petroleum Spills In The North

Overview

This project will provide research in support of improved management and clean-up of petroleum-contaminated sites in the north that have resulted from exploration, development, transportation and/or storage of petroleum. The research contributes directly within one of the key activities identified as a priority for POL 1.3.3 - Activity 3: Remediation Under Challenging Conditions. A key part of Environment Canada's mandate is to preserve and enhance the quality of the natural environment, including water, air and soil. This project contributes toward this mandate by contributing research toward a better understanding of the behaviour of hydrocarbons and other contaminants in soil and water in Arctic Canada, and a better understanding of how to remediate this contamination, thus contributing toward enhancement of water and soil quality. Environment Canada's mission is to make sustainable development a reality in Canada. This research project makes a contribution toward sustainable development by providing information relevant to selection of best practises for remediation of contaminated sites in Arctic Canada.

Objectives

The project will include investigations of petroleum spills at two sites in the Northwest Territories, and will also include investigation(s) of the behavior of contaminants in drilling mud sumps associated with oil and gas exploration in the north. Specifically, this study examines the unique characteristics of contamination in the active layer and groundwater under the following challenging conditions: cold climate, presence of permafrost, and a fractured rock setting, and how these conditions affect the applicability of various remediation approaches (e.g., bioremediation).

Outputs and Successes

- Two field sites in the Northwest Territories were selected for follow-up research
- Information on permafrost, the active layer, and groundwater in Arctic Canada was reviewed.
- Information on fate and behaviour of petroleum plumes in groundwater at cold climate sites was reviewed.
- Reconnaissance visits to sump sites were conducted and a report was prepared entitled "Permafrost Containment for Drilling Fluid Sumps: An Annotated Bibliography", based on a review of previous studies and reports on environmental aspects of drilling sumps.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$460,000
% from PERD	-	28.5%
% from A-Base	-	17.4%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	54.1%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 4. Scheduled to end 2008
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Project Title: Remediation of Naphthenic Acids in Subsurface Soils and Groundwater at Oil Extraction Plants

Overview

There are major knowledge gaps pertaining to the degradation and removal of toxic naphthenic acids (NAs) in subsurface environments associated with oil extraction. The Project integrates studies to accelerate the development of an effective and efficient bioremediation process of NAs through: (a) the refinement of analytical methods and study of the biodegradation of NAs; (b) gaining insights from understanding the mechanism and transformation of metabolites as microorganisms are exposed to NAs and (c) the development of suitable endpoints to drive bioremediation strategies.

Objectives

The key objective is to determine the factors controlling the fate and transport of toxic naphthenic acids to soil and groundwater at oil production facilities. In turn, it is anticipated that the results will (i) form a basis for technology development for improvement of the attenuation of these substances in the subsurface, (ii) facilitate microbial degradation in near-surface and aquifer biofilms and (iii) improve our understanding of their reduction in oxygen-limited environments.

Outputs and Successes

Research is progressing well. A patent application has been filed for an invention of a novel bead bioreactor for improved mass transfer and bioremediation rates of NAs. Research conducted in support of a Science Youth Horizon Award has revealed the selective sorption of various z series naphthenic acids to soil. These key findings have profound significance to the remediation and overall toxicity of naphthenic acids in aquatic environments.

Significant recognition:

- As a direct result of this POL activity in oilsands research, Dr. Headley has accepted the invitation from NRCan and CANMET to serve on the Heavy Oil and Gas Expert Group.
- As a direct result of this POL activity in oilsands research, Headley has been invited by NRCAN to help shape policy development, and provide advice on the direction of oilsands research, in support of the NRCAN/USDOE MOU on collaboration for energy research and development
- Headley served as co-host with Kerry Peru of Engineer Eng. Hossam Gahin, Central Laboratory for Environmental Quality Monitoring, Egypt (Visiting Scholar).

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$85,000	$384,000
% from PERD	100.0%	31.0%
% from A-Base	-	19.5%
% from Industry	-	28.6%
% from Other	-	20.8%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 4 of 8 Scheduled to end 2008.
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Project Title: Wetlands - Containment, Transformation and Remediation of Toxic Organics from Natural Gas Condensates and Process Chemicals

Overview

The research provides science and technology to address crosscutting environmental and safety issues to support the production of Canada's onshore oil and gas resources. More specifically, this project addresses Objective 1.3.3 "The remediation of groundwater and soil issues programs" pertaining to sustainable energy sources and containment of toxic substances in the environment in support of Environment Canada's commitment to: (a) sustaining renewable energy resources and (b) developing codes of practice and guidelines for the environmental protection of wetlands. The results directly support the department in filling knowledge gaps on priority substances in the environment, (particularly amines, aquatic ammonia, and PAHs), and expedites the development of guidelines and regulatory standards for these substances.

Objectives

The objectives of this work are to (1) extend the analytical/toxicity methods developed for gas plant sludges and contaminated groundwater to determine the effectiveness of natural wetlands in attenuating toxic contaminants and their transformation products in gas condensates; (2) evaluate the effects of hydrocarbon impacts on wetlands ecosystems; and (3) develop a model to describe the behaviour of natural gas condensate and process chemicals in wetlands for general management and treatment of waste at gas plants.

Outputs and Successes

- NWRI Lead on Energy Research Issues in Western Canada: As a direct result of the expertise acquired in the Project, the Study Leader served as the NWRI Lead on Energy Research Issues in Western Canada; and as External Reviewer for the "Soil and Water Quality Guidelines for sulfolane and diisopropanolamine: environmental and human health" on behalf of CCME. The results of the PERD wetland project are featured in both guidelines, in which there is discussion of the levels of the process chemicals in the Canadian environment near gas plants.
- Influence on industry's practices: Gas-plant site-management strategies have been refined based on evidence of abatement of the plumes where there are natural wetlands on sites. Industry is no longer excavating natural wetlands, which is a direct influence and impact of the research results from the POL's Wetlands project.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$265,800	$185,800
% from PERD	26.3%	37.7%
% from A-Base	22.9%	32.7%
% from Industry	30.1%	-
% from Other	20.7%	29.6%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 5 of 6 Scheduled to end 2006.
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Project Title: In Situ Soil Flushing Using Lignosulphonate Solution: Preparation for Field Testing

Overview

Sites with petroleum contamination represent a significant group among contaminated sites and are often associated with fuel processing (refineries) and power generation (thermal power plants) activities. In-situ soil flushing is the process of injection or infiltration of an aqueous solution into a zone of contaminated soil followed by down gradient extraction of the elutriate (flushing solution with contaminants) and the above ground treatment or re-injection of fluids.

Objectives

The objective of this study was to carry out a pilot-scale evaluation of the in-situ flushing process for the remediation of petroleum-contaminated soil.

Outputs and Successes

The proposed study is a continuation of the bench-scale work carried out by SAIC Canada in FY2002/03 and FY2003/04. In FY2003/04 an in-house pilot-scale study was carried out using 300 kg of contaminated soil from an actual contaminated site. The experiment showed a reduction in hydrocarbon contamination in the soil. A bioreactor was also designed and implemented to degrade any hydrocarbon waste generated from the system. The equipment that was designed and built worked flawlessly and was considered ready for on-site implementation.

The current project was to be co-funded by Environment Canada's Emergencies Engineering Technologies Office and PERD, with the PERD funding conditional on acquiring a permit from Alberta Environment. The permit was not acquired in time for the 2004 testing season, resulting in the return of the PERD funding. All subsequent preparatory work was undertaken. The project was listed as on hold in fiscal year 2004-05.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$60,000	N/A
% from PERD	100.0%	N/A
% from A-Base	-	N/A
% from Industry	-	N/A
% from Other	-	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 2 of 4 Scheduled to end 2006
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Project Title: Thermally enhanced bioremediation on contaminated sites

Overview

Bioremediation is a proven and frequently used treatment method at contaminated sites in temperate climates. However, since many northern contaminated sites are in remote locations exhibiting extreme climatic conditions, ex-situ bioremediation is more difficult to implement and in-situ bioremediation may be limited to a shorter season. The thermal enhanced bioremediation project will investigate the possibility of combining bioremediation and UTES in a synergistic way that will enhance the bioremediation process of target contaminants.

Objectives

The objectives of this project are to investigate the viability of using bioremediation to remove contaminants from soil, while heating the soil to increase the rate at which bioremediation occurs.

Outputs and Successes

This first phase of the project, funded through PERD, focused on a literature review and initial investigative activities to identify possible contaminants, site conditions, indigenous microbial consortia, and methods of applying heat that would be advantageous from both environmental and economic perspectives. The next phase of the project will characterize the indigenous microbial consortium at potential field demonstration sites. Laboratory studies will also be conducted with soils from these sites to evaluate the effect of temperature on biodegradation rates, as well as the upper temperature limit for biodegradation. The laboratory testing is expected to occur in fiscal year 2005-06 with funding from Environment Canada. Pending available funding, a field demonstration is scheduled to occur in fiscal year 2007-08.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$35,000
% from PERD	-	100.0%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 1 Scheduled to end 2005
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Project Title: Microbial ecology for the evaluation of bioremediation in challenging conditions

Overview

This project supports one of the key theme areas of this POL: activities that will help with remediation in challenging conditions. Microbial ecology in recent years has evolved from the classical culturing techniques to using techniques based on molecular biology using deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA). Denaturing Gradient Gel Electrophoresis (DGGE) is an emerging technique that has evolved from the clinical laboratory and is now being applied to environmental analysis. The use of DGGE in the assessment of groundwater remediation technologies is still in its infancy and requires further development to be able to deal with interferences and understand the limitations of the technique.

Objectives

The aim of this project was to develop techniques to enable the use of microbial ecology to assess natural attenuation and novel remediation technologies, and to apply them to projects in challenging environments such as anaerobic conditions in northern environments and biofilms in fractured rock. This project involved 3 phases: 1) a microbial community analyses of a petroleum spill undergoing intrinsic bioremediation at Moose Factory, ON; 2) Analysis of sulfate-reducing communities in petroleum contaminated groundwater; and 3) exploring the use of different substrates for 'capturing' biofilm-forming bacteria.

Outputs and Successes

The analyses performed assessed the differences in microbial communities, the effects of contaminants on the formation, stability, and microbial composition of biofilms in fractured media, and between soil cores and water. All outputs for this project have been completed. They include:

- Output 1: Develop improved methods for DNA extraction from samples containing multiple inhibitors.
- Output 2: Analysis of sulfate-reducing communities in petroleum contaminated groundwater.
- Output 3: DGGE optimization for assessing the humic acid treatment of petroleum-contaminated groundwater.
- Output 4: Preliminary studies for collecting biofilm-forming bacteria for DGGE analysis.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$202,000
% from PERD	-	25.0%
% from A-Base	-	52.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	23.0%
Administration		
Duration of Project	Year 1 of 1 Scheduled to end 2005	
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Project Title: Development and Standardization of New Toxicity Test Methodologies and Guidance for Assessing the Impacts of Hydrocarbons Contamination in Agricultural and Non-agricultural Habitats using Organisms of Ecological Relevance to Canadian Soil Systems

Overview

This project is directly addressing the first theme area of the POL: Toxicity, bioavailability and relevant ecological endpoints. Soils under forested, northern agricultural, taiga, tundra and other terrestrial environments is a finite resource that contributes substantially to the overall biodiversity of terrestrial ecosystems within Canada. The importance of maintaining the ecological integrity of soil systems for future generations, or restoring historically contaminated or otherwise degraded soils, is explicitly recognized in a myriad of regulatory and management activities. Examples include the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) soil quality guidelines, the recently adopted Canada-Wide Standards for Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil, federal and provincial contaminated sites programs, CEPA priority substance assessments, and the registration process for new substances using in commerce within Canada.

Objectives

The specific Outcome proposed for this project is to develop a series of new biological test methodologies for measuring the effects of contaminants in boreal forest and taiga/tundra soils using ecologically–relevant invertebrate, plant and microbiological tests.

Outputs and Successes

During 2004/2005, priority was given to research in support of two project-specific outputs:

- A suitable plant and soil invertebrate test method will be developed for assessing contaminants using species representative of the boreal forest and taiga/tundra zones of Canada; and
- Two new toxicity methods for assessing contaminants in agricultural soils using relevant species such as collembolans, mites, beetles and/or nematodes.

The Canadian oil and gas industry has responded to the need for protecting the integrity of soil ecosystems by sponsoring research projects to generate data of soil criteria derivation, to improve treatment and disposal of waste sludges and drilling muds, to demonstrate remedial technologies for the treatment of surface and subsurface hydrocarbon and process chemical contamination and to minimize the release liquid and solid wastes. Development of standard test methods for measuring the toxicity and bioavailability of oil and gas sector contaminants in soil is the responsibility of the federal government. The industry and provincial regulators have indicated that they will use these soil toxicity test methods as soon as they are available.

Partnerships for this project include the Saskatchewan Research Council, École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (Switzerland), National Environmental Research Institute (Denmark), Miller Environmental Sciences (Ontario), and ECT Oekotoxikologie GmbH (Germany).

Funding

This project began in 2004-05.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$217,000
% from PERD	-	68.0%
% from A-Base	-	9.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	23.0%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 4 Scheduled to end 2008
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Project Title: Environmentally Acceptable Endpoints of CCME Canada-Wide Standards Petroleum Hydrocarbons Fraction F3 for Weathered Hydrocarbons in Soil: Eco-toxicology Testing Component

Overview

This project is directly addressing the first theme area of the POL: Toxicity, Bioavailability and Relevant Ecological Endpoints and specifically the Theme Outcome: Development of toxicity testing methods and monitoring techniques. Assessment and remediation targets for petroleum hydrocarbons in soil in this project are based on the CCME Canada-Wide Standard (CWS) for Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil. The current project is an extension of a previous project – the "Environmentally Acceptable Endpoints" (EAE) program which was originally initiated in 1998. The EAE program is managed by a representative from a Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) member company (currently Chris Meloche of Husky Energy) who chairs a multi-stakeholder steering committee which is facilitated through the Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada (PTAC). Environment Canada and Alberta Environment have representatives on this committee.

Objectives

The specific Outcome proposed for this testing project is to determine the toxicity of soils containing petroleum hydrocarbon (PHC) in various stages of weathering and aging, using a battery of toxicity test methods comprising test species from three groups of organisms – plants, earthworms, and soil arthropods. The overall objective of the program is to generate data that could be used to refine the soil quality standards for petroleum hydrocarbons in soil. The environmental toxicology data generated though the EAE program helped determine what level of residual hydrocarbons could safely be left in soil and helped ensure that numeric values in the Canada-Wide Standard for Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil were scientifically defensible and environmentally relevant. This work, conducted in 4 phases, is of vital interest to the petroleum industry.

- Phase 1 of the research focused on fraction-specific toxicity testing of fresh crude oil with a standardized battery of terrestrial toxicity tests (i.e., earthworms, plants, and soil invertebrates). Results of Phase 1 were used extensively by the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) to develop the Canada-Wide Standards for Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil that were released in April 2001.

- Phase 2 of this work evaluated the toxicity of crude oil to plants, soil fauna, soil microbial activity and decomposition/nutrient cycling processes in coarse and fine-grained soil in the field. The goal was to validate the results of the laboratory toxicity tests conducted in Phase 1 and to address possible changes in hydrocarbon toxicity in weathered soils.

- Phase 3 includes additional field monitoring for 2002 to quantify changes in indigenous organism populations due to the hydrocarbon contamination. These measurements will constitute the final phase of the project.

- Phase 4 includes the collection and assessment of soils contaminated with weathered/aged crude oil or bio-remediated soils from a number of locations. The soils will be characterized for physical and chemical properties, including petroleum hydrocarbons by the CCME - CWS method. Methods for characterizing the degree of weathering and/or bioavailability will be assessed in order to develop a procedure for

identifying which contaminated soils are suitable for assessment against a weathered hydrocarbon standard. The soils will also be used to conduct chronic plant and invertebrate toxicity tests. The toxicity test results will be used to develop soil quality guidelines for the soil ecological contact numbers for weather petroleum hydrocarbons. The results of the Phase 4 research must be available by October 2005, for use in discussions on amending the soil contact numbers of the CCME Canada-Wide Standard.

The current project relates to Phase 4 of the overall work.

Outputs and Successes

During 2004/2005, this project conducted soil toxicity testing research. Managed by members of the technical steering committee of the weathered hydrocarbon project, a private consulting eco-toxicology laboratory conducted the testing of the 12 contaminated and 12 matching reference soils collected from various locations in Alberta. Results were generated from soil toxicity testing on a number of soils contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbon residuals that have been collected along with reference control soils that were matched to the site soils in terms of their physico-chemical characteristics. These field-collected soils included surface and subsurface soils with varying physical and chemical characteristics. Screening tests will be conducted with these soils. The results of the tests for each site soil sample were directly compared to the results of the tests with the reference control soil paired with the site soil. The data generated from these toxicity assessments will be used in conjunction with the bioavailability data for the same soils to develop more appropriate soil quality criteria for F3 residuals in soil.

The year 2004-05 was the first year for this project component (Phase 4) of the overall larger project.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$160,500
% from PERD	-	37.0%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	63.0%
% from Other	-	-

Administration

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Project Title: Nutrient Flushing to Enhance Natural Biodegradation of Diesel Fuel Impacted Groundwater in a Fractured Bedrock Environment

Overview

Groundwater contamination related to diesel invert mud from a former oil and gas drill sump has been delineated in a fractured bedrock aquifer in west central Alberta. Pollutants of concern are primarily petroleum hydrocarbons in the total extractable hydrocarbon (TEH) range from C10 to C30, and to a lesser extent, dissolved BTEX compounds. Over 70 monitoring wells, extraction wells and bedrock coreholes have been drilled since 1996 to characterize the hydrogeologic system, which consists of a semi-confined aquifer approximately 30 m below ground surface in fractured sandstone. Although site conditions are complex, the site offers significant advantages for research opportunities. An extensive hydrogeological and geochemical database has already been compiled through several years of site characterization, and laboratory bench-scale studies related to nutrient amendment have been completed for the site. Since the occurrences of light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) are limited to only a few monitoring wells, the majority of the hydrocarbon impact is resident in the dissolved phase plume, and is thus considered suitable for treatment by nutrient enhanced in-situ biodegradation. This project benefits EC by addressing the mandate on a clean environment.

Objectives

The research project supports several types of research and development (R&D) activities eligible for PERD support, and hopes to make the following scientific contributions related to the POL:

- It will support development and field testing of an innovative system or process to mitigate environmental impacts related to the oil and gas industry;
- It will support applied scientific research building on the existing database of site characterization, Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) field monitoring data, and bench-scale laboratory treatability experiments;
- It will support applied scientific research to further evaluate passive gas diffusion samplers and total dissolved gas pressure as effective MNA measurement tools; and,
- The project will provide valuable scientific and technological information to evaluate an innovative remedial approach in a complex and challenging environment, where conventional groundwater remediation methods have proven largely unsuccessful.

Outputs and Successes

In 2004-05, research at the site primarily focused on the operation, optimization, and feasibility of a long-term nutrient injection strategy to enhance in-situ biodegradation of dissolved extractable hydrocarbons related to invert diesel contamination. The goal of additional field sampling and analysis was to enhance the current geochemical database and provide a robust assessment of background conditions at the site. Passive gas diffusion samplers for dissolved gas data collection were manufactured and installed in 8 monitoring wells and open coreholes to date and groundwater sampling and analysis for acidity (pH), alkalinity, total dissolved solids (TDS), chlorine (Cl), sulphate ion (SO_4), phosphate (PO_4), nitrogen species, iron (Fe), manganese (Mn), and total extractable hydrocarbons and bacterial analysis. Further sampling and analysis will lead to a pilot-scale nutrient flush later in 2005. If successful, the system will be scaled up to a remediation trial of the larger site area. Regulator approval of this type of semi-passive remedial option would be of interest to industry members with remedial obligations.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$130,000
% from PERD	-	15%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	85%
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 4 Scheduled to end 2008
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Project Title: Biobarriers in Fractured Rock: Pilot Scale Study and Matrix Biostabilization

Overview

This project was initiated following work conducted at École Polytechnique de Montreal between 1994 and 1999. The development of a biobarrier in a fractured rock aquifer increased the scientific knowledge for an integrated groundwater management framework. This concept represents an innovative method to improve bioremediation and to allow other natural attenuation processes to occur. This project supports the EC mandate of a clean environment.

Objectives

The project's objective is to reduce permeability and prevent migration of contaminants in a fractured media, by injecting a carbon source to stimulate the groundwater bacteria. Specific objectives relate to hydrogeological and physiochemical aspects, and biosafety:

- To design an installation consisting of a well for the delivery of nutrients and a network of monitoring wells to evaluate the formation of the biobarrier
- To monitor the changes in physiochemical conditions due to the bioclogging
- To evaluate the effects of the biostimualtion on the ecosystem, especially with respect to ecotoxicity and microbial diversity.

Outputs

In 2003-04, this project confirmed the potential of the biobarrier concept for the control of groundwater in fractured rock aquifers. Hydrogeological testing was undertaken and showed the magnitude of bioclogging both at laboratory-scale and field-scale. These results assisted in the design of the full-scale application in 2004-05.

During 2004-05, activities included:

- Design of Bioreactors and Planning of Experimental Design: A glass column of 30 x 4.5 cm (L x D) was designed to develop an up-flow cell bioreactor. Pieces of rock were collected from the field site and washed thoroughly to remove all the soil, dust and organic material and a litho geochemical analysis of the rock pieces were done at Activation Laboratories Ltd.
- Preliminary Analyses: Development of microbial biofilms on the up-flow cell bioreactor and specially designed fractured rock bed flow cell was performed in conjunction with NWRI, EC.
- Laboratory construction of three different types of microsensors for hydrogen sulphide (H_2S), pH, and limiting current microelectrodes for the measurement of mass-transport coefficient, local effective diffusivity and local flow velocity were done.
- Characterization of biofilm structure and thickness using confocal scanning laser microscopy, biofilm imaging and structure quantification was performed.
- Planning of the Field Pilot: For this part of the study, a pilot scale investigation to explore the efficacy of bio-plugging in limiting groundwater flow and back diffusion in a fractured rock setting will be done. A field site located south of the city of Cambridge, Ontario will be used for the study. To simulate the presence of a contaminant plume in the fracture network, a conservative, non-toxic tracer will be injected into one of the western-most boreholes for a period of 10 days to two weeks. To evaluate the effectiveness of reduction in the aperture of the fractures as a result of biofilm growth, hydraulic measurements of effective fracture

aperture must be obtained before and after the growth period. Thus, constant head tests will be conducted on each fracture zone using packer spacings constrained to the assumed width of the zone. Direct measurements of down-gradient concentration in the fracture zones pervaded by tracer and then biofilm will be used to evaluate the degree to which back diffusion was limited by the presence of the biofilm. To assist in the interpretation of the results, the initial model simulations will be re-run with actual experimental conditions including reduced effective aperture.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$85,000	$208,000
% from PERD	100%	57.0%
% from A-Base	-	9.5%
% from Industry	-	24.0%
% from Other	-	9.5%

Administration

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Project Title: Remediation of Hydrocarbon-Contaminated Sites by Monitored Natural Attenuation

Overview

This project is involved in the development of remediation technologies for hydrocarbon contaminated sites. This information will benefit the oil and gas industry by being an effective, efficient, economical and environmentally acceptable way to remediate contaminated land. Results from this project have been used to inform other EC PERD projects within this POL.

Objectives

The major focus of this study is to better understand how attenuation processes work in different situations to better predict the most suitable areas that lend themselves to this approach in a timely fashion. It could offer an economical alternative to more aggressive interventions. The monitoring aspect of this approach is important to confirm that natural attenuation processes are indeed working, and that contaminant plumes are not threatening nearby landowners or sensitive ecosystems. The second phase of this project, which was started in 2001, involves detailed assessments at three sites to demonstrate that natural attenuation is occurring. This process includes detailed site characterization, sampling, and biodegradation testing and groundwater monitoring which resulted in the selection of three sites for further studies.

Outputs

In 2003 detailed site characterization was continued at all three research sites. The program focused on well installation for sample collection methodology testing and monitoring variability assessment. Work continued to focus on how sample collection might affect the interpretation of natural attenuation behavior. Seasonal monitoring was continued (quarterly sampling) to assess possible seasonal influences on data used to support natural attenuation. Groundwater monitoring was conducted on a quarterly basis. A program was started at University of Alberta to assess how well diffusion-based sampling systems could be used for groundwater monitoring. The ongoing program has involved laboratory trials and one field application. A Technical Steering Committee has been created to work with Alberta Environment to develop recommendations and content of a "Guideline for the Use of Monitored Natural Attenuation at Contaminated Sites in Alberta". The primary focus was to outline a proposed administrative and technical framework for managing contamination at only upstream oil and gas sites such as wellheads or compressor stations. However, the Guideline will also allow for a "generic" evaluation of the applicability of MNA to other contaminated sites or risk management issues. The MNA Guideline document is to be released in 2004.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$20,000	-
% from PERD	100%	-
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 4 of 4. Scheduled to end 2004.
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Project Title: Groundwater Research Program

Overview

This project stems from the Gas Research Institute / U.S. Department of Energy Gas Industry Groundwater Program research started in 1996. This research conducted laboratory activities to generate data regarding the chemical nature and subsurface transport and fate of alkanolamines, glycols, and their associated wastes. The current PERD project studies condensate mobility in soil. The focus is on natural gas condensates and glycol characterization, and the interaction between chemical, soil, and water as well as natural attenuation. This project has allowed the POL to contribute internationally in this research area. Collaboration with U.S. Department of Energy has provided significant leveraging of resources.

Objectives

The objective of this project is to examine the transport and fate of waste streams generated by natural gas processing operations. The alkanolamine- and glycol-related research employed a three-pronged approach that included 1) organic and inorganic waste characterization; 2) determination of contaminant interactions with soils and water; and 3) biodegradability of alkanolamines, glycols, and their associated wastes.

Outputs

This project was completed in 2003. The most recent outputs documented in the 2003-04 POL annual report relate to 2002 activities: column experiments were conducted, biodegradation experiments were completed and lab and field results were verified and validated with known glycol and condensate contamination. The EERC was on site at a natural gas processing plant located near Lesser Slave Lake, Alberta, Canada, to collect sediment and groundwater samples for BTEX, glycol and microbial analysis. Additional groundwater samples were collected by Matrix Solutions. Data collected was used in predictive transport and fate and/or risk-based corrective action and environmentally acceptable endpoint (EAE) models. Models were expanded for application to the oil and gas industry in Canada.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$15,000	-
% from PERD	100%	-
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 4 of 4. Scheduled to end 2004.
Project Manager	Saviz Mortazavi, Research Engineer
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STRATEGIC INTENT 2 – TRANSPORTATION SECTOR

Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 2.1.1

Support the Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matter

Strategic Intent 2

Strategic Intent 2 is to foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Intent 2 - Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1: Provide S&T to reduce emissions from transportation sources, to improve air quality and health and reduce GHG production.

Objective 2.1.1: Support the Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matter

POL 2.1.1. — Particles POL

This POL is a coordinated set of research activities focused on improving our understanding of particulate matter formed by transportation-related sources; how these particles and their precursors are transformed and transported in the atmosphere; and, ultimately, how transportation-related particles affect public health. The goal of the Particles POL is to provide knowledge and tools that will support the development of technological and other measures to control and reduce emissions of particulate matter from transportation sources. The ultimate impact of work conducted by the Particles POL will be a reduction in transportation-related particles in the atmosphere and an associated reduction in negative health effects on Canadians.

Environment Canada is involved in two main areas of this POL: Emissions Characterization and Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air. The emissions characterization projects have filled significant data and knowledge gaps. New emissions data for criteria and non-criteria pollutants, and for particles and precursors, have been documented for in-use fleet vehicles in British Columbia, five vehicle classes in representative Canadian conditions, urban buses, and a wide range of yet-to-be-available advanced technology vehicles. Diesel-electric hybrid urban buses were also tested. In related work, fuel mixtures (ethanol blends), have also been tested and comparisons have been made to commercial boiler fuel oil emissions. All of these data will be used directly to improve emissions factors and inventories for Canada, as well as for improved atmospheric model simulations of the impact of transportation sources on air quality in Canada and North America.

Results from the POL's ambient characterization work have been taken up in new National Air Pollution Surveillance (NAPS) monitoring programs, providing significant international credibility to the PM speciation network. These methods have produced the only new Canadian PM source apportionment results since the CWSs for PM and Ozone were introduced and will influence the 2005 review of the CWSs. The resulting data have contributed to advances in air quality models and have shed new insight into source-receptor-relationships via the use of new technologies capable of time-resolved PM chemical and physical characterization.

The Air Quality - Particles Research POL integrated several existing research projects to ensure closer coordination of future activities. Each project within the POL has been developed to improve the science and/or technology relating to particulate matter (PM) in Canada. Environment Canada managed 2 of these projects during 2003-04 and 2004-05.

These projects receive A-Base funding from 5 federal departments/agencies, project funding from PERD, and cooperative funding from industry. The total budget for work in the overall POL is approximately $10 million over 5 years. For 2003-04, the total budget for the POL was $2,299,000, and PERD resources were $757,000 of this amount. For 2004-05, the total POL budget was $2,256,000, and PERD resources were $714,000 of this amount.

Table 7. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.1.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
EC	47.7%	57.2%
NRC	34.5%	32.4%
NRCan	4.8%	-
HC	8.2%	3.9%
DND	4.8%	-
POL Coordination EC	-	2.9%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.1.1

Project Title: Characterization of Particles and Precursors in Emissions

Overview

The emissions characterization research will contribute to improvement of air quality models by addressing knowledge gaps and providing data for model development and evaluation. Of particular interest are the characteristics (mass, size distribution and chemical composition) of primary particle emissions, chemical speciation profiles for gaseous emissions and a better understanding of the chemistry and physics of aerosol formation. This work falls within the PERD objective to develop technology and other means in order to control and reduce emissions of particulate matter. This project will benefit EC in addressing the inadequacies in vehicle emissions profiles; this knowledge gap makes it difficult to assess proposed vehicle technology or fuel formulation changes. This can be seen in the recent assessment by the CCME Task Force on Cleaner Vehicles and Fuels of the impacts and benefits of reducing sulphur in gasoline. The lack of representative emissions profiles results in uncertainties that hamper decisions and, in the long-term, will hinder Canada's progress toward a sustainable energy future.

Objectives

The objective of this project is the development of technology to measure and control the formation and emission of fine particles and their precursors by transportation-related combustion sources, specifically by sampling and analytical techniques for fine particles and their precursors in exhaust of representative vehicle classes.

Outputs and Successes

In 2003-04, the Laser-Induced Incandescence (LII) project accomplished an outcome-level result with the successful marketing and initial sales of a commercial instrument by Artium Technologies. The technology, patented by NRC and licensed to Artium, enables portable real-time measurement of elemental carbon (the predominant constituent of tailpipe particulate matter) over the range of concentrations emitted by engines used in the transportation sector. Although this is a major outcome, additional capabilities and applications for the LII technology continue to be developed. Development of a simple, rugged smoke sensor for diesel engines continued to progress. Presentation of the research at an industry conference generated interest from the engine control and measurement sector that has resulted in some in-kind contributions that will likely accelerate development. The analysis and reporting of results from the Cassiar Tunnel Study, part of the Pacific 2001 study, were mostly completed. The nearly 200 page technical report is due to be released in early 2004-05. The emissions characterization tool kit developed in this POL has been applied to a number of additional emissions studies that came to EC-ERMD as a result of the profile that has been raised, due in part to the POL activities. An example is the next-generation diesel-electric hybrid urban transit buses that were tested for the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority (SEPTA). PERD Particles funding was used to increase the scope of the project to include detailed particle characterization and PERD Hybrid-Electric Vehicle POL funding was used to characterize gaseous emissions.

In 2004-05, the emissions characterization projects have filled significant data and knowledge gaps. New emissions data for criteria and non-criteria pollutants, and for particles and

precursors, have been documented for in-use fleet vehicles in British Columbia, five vehicle classes in representative Canadian conditions, urban buses, and a wide range of yet-to-be-available advanced technology vehicles. Diesel-electric hybrid urban buses were also tested. In related work, fuel mixtures (ethanol blends), have also been tested and comparisons have been made to commercial boiler fuel oil emissions. All of these data will be used directly to improve emissions factors and inventories for Canada, as well as for improved atmospheric model simulations of the impact of transportation sources on air quality in Canada and North America.

There are 4 sub-projects within the Emissions Characterization project, and EC is the team leader for all this work. Funding information is presented below for the entire Emissions Characterization theme.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$461,000	$456,000
% from PERD	40.3%	32.0%
% from A-Base	36.9%	30.0%
% from Industry	19.5%	29.0%
% from Other	3.3%	9.0%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 5 of 5 Scheduled to end 2005.
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Project Title: Characterization of Particles In Ambient Air

Overview

This project is part of the Ambient Air activity. The project will build upon previous work on characterizing vehicle emissions and developing improved analytical and ambient sampling methods, coupling these with improved data analysis techniques to improve understanding of the influences of transportation sources on the concentrations of $PM_{2.5}$ and related gaseous constituents in, and downwind of, major Canadian cities; and provide improved data for the development and evaluation of air quality models used to predict ambient particles concentrations. This work falls within the PERD objective to develop technology and other means in order to control and reduce emissions of particulate matter. This project will benefit EC by increasing the knowledge base of ambient fine particles and precursors which will strengthen scientific support to policy and regulatory development and ultimately give cleaner air and reduced health effects due to decreases in Emissions of primary particles and gaseous precursors from transportation-related combustion sources.

Objectives

The overall goal of the ambient air particle characterization project is to gain new insights into the transport, transformation and fate of ambient fine particles and their precursors, particularly those produced by emissions from the transportation sector.

Outputs and Successes

In 2003-04, additional refinements were made to the atmospheric chemistry model (Models-3/CMAQ) to improve the physics and chemistry. Preliminary policy scenario runs were completed and discussed with policy and regulatory decision makers at an information sharing workshop. The feedback was valuable and influenced subsequent model runs to evaluate the impact of the three future vehicle emissions standards on PM loading. A report is being prepared. Collaboration between the atmospheric modelling team and the emissions characterization and ambient measurements teams, brought about as a result of this POL, allowed the modellers to ensure a much stronger correspondence between model processes and outputs in the restructured modules, with transportation-related emission products and ambient measurements. A whole new suite of ambient measurement data have been released for the most detailed model evaluation yet possible. A full special issue of the journal Atmospheric Environment is in press. This contains new insights into the behaviour of particles in the Lower Fraser Valley upon which the modellers can build. New quantitative estimates of the contribution of transportation sources to fine particle levels in Toronto have been peer-reviewed and published. This research also provides the estimate of the importance of secondary organic aerosol contribution to fine particle mass using receptor modelling techniques.

In 2004-05, results from this PERD work found their way into new national (NAPS) monitoring programs, providing significant international credibility to the PM speciation network, have produced the only new Canadian PM source apportionment results since the CWS was introduced, have led to advances in air quality (AQ) models and have shed new insight into source-receptor-relationships via use of new technologies capable of time-resolved PM chemical and physical characterization. These results have been published in the scientific literature, multiple scientific assessments and reports to CWS-stakeholders. Analytical methods

have improved remarkably over the course of the PERD funding cycle. The percentage of organic carbon that can be identified has increased dramatically and is being used to further source apportionment studies. The Pacific 2001 Field Study generated an unparalleled data set for further study. Linkages with Border Air Quality Study (BAQS) have resulted in access to leading edge capabilities to monitor atmospheric constituents at very high time resolution, on scales that will significantly strengthen the links between ambient concentrations and personal exposures. This is expected to lead to significant advances over the next funding cycle.

There are 2 sub-projects within the Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air project, and EC leads this work. Funding information is presented below for the entire project.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$836,000	$834,000
% from PERD	15.0%	14.3%
% from A-Base	55.0%	55.7%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	30.0%	30.0%
Administration		
Duration of Project	Year 5 of 5 Scheduled to end 2005.	
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STRATEGIC INTENT 2 – TRANSPORTATION SECTOR
Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 2.1.2
Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER)

Strategic Intent 2

Strategic Intent 2 is to foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Intent 2 - Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1: Provide S&T to reduce emissions from transportation sources, to improve air quality and health and reduce GHG production.

Objective 2.1.2: The design and use of gaseous and liquid hydrocarbon fuels and associated technologies to achieve emissions reductions.

POL 2.1.2. — Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER)

The overall objective of this AFTER POL is to provide support for the development of new, innovative transportation technologies to reduce emissions and produce a cleaner environment, as well as to assist in the growth of commercially viable new Canadian technologies. The Canadian transportation sector covers a wide range of technologies. Three separate areas of study or Activities have been identified in this POL.

1. Gaseous and alternative fuels technology
2. Gasoline and Spark Ignited Engine Technology
3. Advanced diesel fuels and compression ignition engine technology.

Recent significant outputs of this work include:

- An advanced conversion system using natural gas. With further research commercialization of these new NG technologies on a world wide basis is likely.
- An enhanced ignition system for reduced emissions (Nexum)
- Prototype ignition system designed, manufactured and tested
- Canadian diesel fuel performance, including oil sands products, in new low emissions engines tested
- A new, innovative diesel exhaust NOx reduction system
- Candidate ethers and ether blends for low emissions diesel fuels
- Recommendations for reduced emissions from railway locomotives
- Low cost options for lower NOx & PM from marine engines
- Application of laser technology for the optimization of low emissions diesel engines
- Participation in the IEA Advanced Motor Fuels Program and annexes
- A new steady state measurement technique to evaluate a number of new catalysts which indicate a synergistic effect for certain catalysts where NOx conversions are greater when using H_2 + CO mixtures as reductants compared to H_2 or CO alone.
- A single cylinder test demonstrated that biodiesel blends can reduce railway diesel engine CO, PM, NOx and smoke emission while maintaining fuel consumption. Operational tests are planned.

- Emissions tests were conducted on a low-cost water injection system (WIS) for reducing NOx emissions in marine diesel engines.
- The program on diesel additives was completed. Over 35 new additives were tested for solubility and aquatic toxicity.
- Non-toxic ethers that can increase cetane numbers and reduce combustion emissions have been identified. These ethers could be used to blend with diesel fuels produced from oil sands to improve their performance and marketability.
- Two final reports were delivered. The first from Annex 16 on the "Evaluation of Practical Experience of Ongoing Projects around the World using Alcohols/Ethers as Oxygenates in Diesel Fuel. The second was from Annex 17 on the "Standardization of Alternative Fuels."
- The exhaust emissions from a single-cylinder version of a heavy-duty diesel engine equipped with cooled exhaust gas recirculation were measured with high cetane components blended into an ultra-low sulphur diesel fuel.
- A more realistic soot formation sub-model was developed to capture the main physical steps associated with soot formation (pyrolysis, inception, growth, and coagulation). The sub-model was implemented in a commercial CFD software package (STAR-CD). Preliminary results indicate the sub-model produces reasonable trends for soot mass, soot characteristic diameter, and number of soot particles as a function of engine crank angle. The results will be published in FY 2005/06.

For 2003-04, the total POL budget was $4,604,000, and PERD resources were $1,786,000 of this amount. For 2004-05, the total POL budget was $2,499,500, and PERD resources were $1,786,000 of this amount. From 2000-2005, the annual PERD budget for POL 2.1.2 was $1,786,000. Environment Canada managed 1 of these projects.

Table 8. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.1.2 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	36.6%	41.3%
NRC	28.6%	29.7%
HC	12.0%	13.0%
TC	11.7%	12.5%
EC	2.8%	3.5%
NRC Coordination	2.5%	-
NRCan Coordination	5.8%	-

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.1.2

Project Title: Study of Environmental Properties of Diesel Ethers

Overview

This project provides Environment Canada direct input into the selection of potential diesel additives and allows EC to include their own criteria into the selection process. The project addresses federal government priorities in the transportation area including the reduction of GHG emissions, as well as substances managed through the Canadian Environmental Protection Act.

Objectives

The objectives of this project include:

- To screen potential diesel ethers for environmental concerns related to water and soil;
- To measure environmental properties of diesel ethers, particularly water solubility.
- To measure the environmental toxicity of potential candidate ethers.

Outputs and Successes

In 2003-04:

- Nine ethers were analyzed for toxicity and solubility, and analyzed for degradability
- In addition to solubility other data items were collected and an extensive data base on over 100 ethers was prepared
- The model to predict the solubility of ethers from the molecular formula, developed in previous years, was refined using the measured data.
- Data reported to project partners for publication.
- Access to data generated in the US has enabled us to obtain this data for the database at no cost, thus allowing us to focus on other potential ethers
- Good linkages have been forged between groups conducted ether studies, enabling good data sharing and allowing groups to focus on good potential candidates

In 2004-05:

- The model to predict the solubility, aquatic toxicities and biological oxygen demand of ethers from the molecular formula, developed in previous years, refined using all the measured data.
- Final report published.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$62,000	$62,000
% from PERD	60.0%	60.0%
% from A-Base	40.0%	40.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 5 of 5 Scheduled to end 2005
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STRATEGIC INTENT 2 – TRANSPORTATION SECTOR
Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 2.2.4.
Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems

Strategic Intent 2

Strategic Intent 2 is to foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Intent 2 - Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2: to provide S&T to improve energy efficiency, reduce emissions, and provide economic benefits to Canada from next generation vehicles and systems.

Objective 2.2.4: Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems

POL 2.2.4 — Optimization of the Energy Efficiency of Transportation Systems

Transportation accounts for approximately 25% of GHGs in Canada (50 % distribution between urban and inter-city transportation). Urban transportation is responsible for 78% of emissions, and the remaining 22% from freight movement within urban areas. POL 2.2.4 develops knowledge, new concepts and technologies that will improve energy efficiency and reduce GHGs, as well as other emissions.

Information and communications systems (ICS) play an important role in improving the energy efficiency associated with the interaction and integration of vehicles, operators and transportation infrastructure. Transportation systems can incorporate many technologies and operating concepts such as sensors, communications, control, vehicle or vessel location identification, navigation, data storage, processing and display and improved operating procedures. For example, a joint project was initiated between TC with the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) with the ultimate objective of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of Advanced Traffic Management Systems (ATMS) through advances in automated incident detection systems and other traffic management strategies. A project was also initiated on Aircraft Meteorological Data Relay (AMDAR) which will enable more accurate meteorological forecasts which in turn lead to more efficient air travel, with reduced fuel consumption and GHG emissions.

Through reduced congestion, integration of different modes, increased capacity of the existing infrastructure, shifting of traffic to less energy intensive modes, energy consumption can be reduced. Application of new knowledge and technologies to transportation will also provide economic benefits. Canada has been a leading player in a number of new system concepts and technologies such as toll collection, weigh-in-motion, traffic sensors, vehicle transponders, vehicle traffic management and communication systems. In the navigational transportation area, the St. Lawrence system is used as a prototype to resolve optimal navigation routes in terms of fuel consumption and CO_2 pollution reduction, and at supporting traffic management. EC's project on St. Lawrence Routing management has developed ice transit performance algorithms which will result in fuel savings of 9.74%. In a normal winter, this is equivalent to at least 25,000 tons reduction in CO_2 for the St. Lawrence system.

The following activities are included under POL 2.2.4:

- Urban Transportation Efficiency
- Intermodal Freight Efficiency
- Air Transport Efficiency
- R&D on Future Opportunities.

Canadian participants in the FDM Program are continuing to co-operate with organisations in other countries in the development of policies, methods, tools, and sharing of the results. There is joint collaboration and harmonization between US, Canada and European countries.

Environment Canada managed 3 projects in this POL in the 2003-04 and 2004-05 timeframe; however details were only available for 2 of those projects. The PERD budget for 2003-04 was $1,498,000. Financial details for this 2004-05 were not available.

Table 9. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.2.4 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	N/A	N/A
EC	N/A	N/A

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.2.4

Project Title: Terminal Aviation Forecast (TAF) Performance Metrics to Support More Fuel Efficient Flight Operations

Overview

To support the aviation industry's flight-planning process of ensuring safety and the selection of the most fuel efficient alternate aerodrome, thereby reducing the amount of extra (unnecessary) fuel carriage and subsequent fuel burn, and related Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions.

Objectives

To develop, implement, then subsequently both monitor and report new aerodrome forecast (TAF) performance metrics and information in support of instrument flight rule flight planning (airline) operations in Canada.

Expected outcomes of this initiative are:

- The use of new aerodrome forecast performance metrics by airlines to:
- Optimize the airline's selection of more fuel-efficient alternate aerodromes when an alternate is required.
- Support their decision making processes in regard to operating no alternate instrument flight rule flights.
- Increase dispatcher and pilot confidence in the TAF thereby decreasing the amount of additional fuel loaded on each flight.
- The use of the new aerodrome forecast performance metrics by Environment Canada meteorologists to assess the areas where improvements to the forecast accuracy would provide the air carriers (and other aviators) the most benefit. Improvements in forecast accuracy will contribute to greater flight safety.

An optimum, or more efficient, flight planning process through the application of no alternate instrument flight rule and smarter-choice alternates will reduce the amount of unnecessary fuel carriage and hence the amount of fuel burned unnecessarily. This in turn will result in reduced GHG emissions as well as benefit the airlines economically.

Outputs and Successes

Work began on this project in 2004. The participating organizations include Environment Canada, NAV CANADA and PERD. Two air carriers in Canada are actively involved in the project. The project covers the three year period from September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2007.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	$180,000
% from PERD	-	33.3%
% from A-Base	-	33.3%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	33.3%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 3 Scheduled to end 2007.
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Project Title: METRo Model

Overview

The purpose of the project was to improve METRo, the road condition forecasting model developed by the Meteorological Service of Canada (MSC), and to carry out a complete rewrite of the computer code so that it can be used by the private meteorological sector. The latter will, in turn, be able to provide winter road maintenance personnel with the information on both meteorological and pavement conditions needed to make the most appropriate decisions on winter maintenance. The project was carried out at MSC's Canadian Meteorological Centre.

Objective

The objective is to ensure that winter road maintenance in Canada is on the cutting edge of technology by using road condition forecasts generated by the METRo model to optimize the amount of salts and abrasives used. It will also help to reduce the costs and environmental impacts of maintenance and to improve traffic congestion, thus contributing to reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

Highlights

The project began with the establishment of the work team, which defined the goals to be achieved and developed the principles that would guide the rewrite of the road condition forecasting model. A users' meeting was organized to validate the work team's decisions. The irritants involved in the use of the METRo model were determined and solutions were developed and implemented. A new computer code structure was developed and a complete overhaul of the model's computer code was carried out on the basis of the new structure, which was agreed on by the users. The new METRo model was tested and validated. Finally, the legal and administrative work associated with the patent for private sector use was completed. The first licence was acquired by a private company on December 6, 2004.

The team also contributed to improving the digital weather forecasting model for atmospheric conditions that serve as inputs for the METRo model.

All activities planned for 2003–05 were completed on schedule:
- The irritants of the current METRo model (version 1.0) were determined
- A new, more robust architecture leading to the eventual rollout of version 2.0 was determined
- The new architecture was validated with users of METRo 1.0
- The beta version of METRo 2.0 was coded
- The results of the new version on past cases were validated
- The tested version of METRo 2.0 was rolled out to users
- The legal and administrative work associated with the patent for private sector use was completed

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$140,000	$180,000
% from PERD	50%	55%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	50%	45%

Administration

Duration of Project	Scheduled to end 2005.
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STRATEGIC INTENT 2 – TRANSPORTATION SECTOR
Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 2.2.5
Hydrogen Energy Economy

Strategic Intent 2

Strategic Intent 2 is to foster cleaner sustainable transportation fuels and systems in order to improve the environment, reduce emissions, including GHGs, and to increase economic activity through development of domestic and export markets.

Strategic Intent 2 - Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2: to provide S&T to improve energy efficiency, reduce emissions, and provide economic benefits to Canada from next generation vehicles and systems.

Objective 2.2.5: Hydrogen Energy Economy

POL 2.2.5 — Hydrogen Energy Economy

In 2004/05, POL 2.2.5 was created as a set of coordinated research initiatives directed at the development of a hydrogen energy economy. POL 2.2.5 is a merger of POL 2.2.2 "Fuel Cells, Electric and Hybrid Systems" and POL 2.2.3 "Hydrogen Production, Storage and Infrastructure" as outlined in the "Strategy for Hydrogen Energy Economy POL". The POL leader is the CANMET Energy Technology Centre (CETC) Hydrogen Economy and Transportation Energy Group. The objective and vision of the POL are to: expand the knowledge base and advance technologies to mitigate climate change and air pollution through hydrogen and hydrogen-related R&D thereby contributing to the creation of a hydrogen energy economy.

The R&D undertaken in this POL will advance the federal energy agenda and contribute to the PERD Strategic Goals in a number of ways. The R&D in this POL is directed at removing or lowering the obstacles related to introducing hydrogen into the energy mix more rapidly. Some of these obstacles include component cost, reliability and durability (life) and the lack of codes and standards.

Specific activity areas in this POL relate to:

1. Hydrogen Production
2. Energy Storage/Hydrogen Storage
3. Utilization
4. Codes, Standards, Policy and Outreach

Specific research themes and targets are being developed within the following three research areas that map well into the themes outlined in this plan:

1. Proton exchange membrane fuel cells
2. Solid oxide fuel cells
3. Hydrogen production, storage and delivery

Environment Canada managed 1 project within activity area four, relating to technical demonstration safety & emissions testing, as input to codes and standards.

In 2003-04 the total funding for this POL was represented by previous POL 2.2.2 at $9,251,000 with PERD funding totalling $2,796,000, and previous POL 2.2.3 at $6,016,000 with PERD funding totalling $1,556,000. In 2004-05 the total funding for the new POL 2.2.5 was $14,650,000, with PERD funds totalling $4,302,000.

Table 10. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 2.2.5 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %		
	Former POL 2.2.2	Former POL 2.2.3	New POL 2.2.5
Department	2003-04	2003-04	2004-05
NRCan – CETC	75.4%	100.0%	87.0%
DND	10.7%	-	10.%
EC	3.4%	-	1.9%
TC	7.2%	-	1.2%
HC	3.3%	-	-

Environment Canada Projects for POL 2.2.5

Project Title: Development of Infrastructure Including Health, Safety and Environmental Issues and Development of Standards, Policies and Guidelines

Overview

This project supports R&D in support of codes, standards and safety, and R&D that will provide input into policy and decision-making, as well as outreach activities. Work is done collaboratively with Environment Canada, Transport Canada, and Health Canada.

Objectives

As new hydrogen technologies and systems come on stream, there is a requirement to ensure their safety and reliability. This activity is aimed at developing a comprehensive ensemble of safety analysis tools for application in new hydrogen energy systems and providing a compilation of the prevailing practices, and applicable codes, standards and guidelines for the safe use of hydrogen.

Outputs and Successes

Environment Canada has continued to play a valuable role in testing the energy consumption and emissions of hybrid and fuel cell buses. The information the Emissions Measurement and Research Division (EMRD) produces is used by vehicle designers and government funding partners to make decisions on technical directions. The lab also works with transit authorities providing them information needed to make decisions on bus acquisitions. For 2003/04, EC produced the following reports (Information on Environment Canada's 2004/05 activities was not available):

- Emissions testing and technical support to the Transport Canada project with Overland Coach to develop a medium duty electric hybrid drive system.
- Emissions and performance of a methanol powered fuel cell bus developed by Georgetown University. In this government-university project a prototype fuel cell bus utilizing the Ballard fuel cell technology was tested at the ERMD facility. The objective was to characterize the emissions from the bus during start-up and typical operations.
- Comparison of fuel economy and emissions performance of conventional urban transit buses and diesel electric hybrid buses. In this project two such buses were tested over a variety of driving cycles at the ERMD test facility. The primary objective was to characterize and compare the emissions from the two technologies.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$481,000	$120,000
% from PERD	19.7%	66.7%
% from A-Base	15.8%	20.8%
% from Industry	25.0%	-
% from Other	39.5%	12.5%

Administration

Duration of Project	Scheduled to end 2006
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STRATEGIC INTENT 3 – BUILDINGS AND COMMUNITIES SECTOR
Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 3.2.4
Energy Management for Sustainable Communities

Strategic Intent 3

Reduce overall energy intensity of Canada's buildings, municipal transportation and community energy systems and consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Direction 2

Provide S&T to integrate energy services (supply and end use) in communities to reduce overall energy requirements, optimize the use of available resources and reduce environmental impacts, including air pollution and GHG emissions.

Objective 3.2.4: To develop technical and decision-making process innovations that will help achieve integrated energy management at the community level and contribute to sustainable community development.

POL 3.2.4 brings together many of the participants and projects that made up two former POLs, Energy Systems for Sustainable Community Development (3.2.3) led by Environment Canada, and Community Energy Systems (3.2.1) led by the CANMET Energy Technology Centre-Ottawa (CETC-O). The new POL 3.2.4 was created out of the desire to take an integrated and expanded R&D approach to community-level energy use.

The focus of this POL is on community energy management (CEM) with the goal of reducing the energy intensity of Canadian communities and shifting to more efficient and environmentally-benign community energy technologies. This includes exploration of methods with which to supply communities using local sources of renewable or waste energy, diurnal or seasonal storage of (renewable or waste) energy, the use of more efficient community energy distribution systems, and the planning and design of communities and community sub-systems (e.g., transportation, waste management) to minimize energy use.

Highlights include:

- The "Drake Landing Solar Community" project that was started in Okotoks, Alberta, using a novel method of heating a community, has continued with finalizing many of the designs.
- A Community Energy Plan (CEP) Guide has been issued as a working document to communities for their use and review.
- A new agreement was signed with the City of Calgary to help the city develop its landfill gas (LFG) strategy.
- The Clean Air – Online websites have been completed and are ready for public launching.
- Additional work to determine the emission – factors for different materials in the MSW stream was completed for review by experts (tires, electronics, white goods and copper).
- The largest Borehole Thermal Energy Storage (BTES) system in Canada has been installed in Oshawa, Ontario for 9 buildings at the new University of Ontario.
- EC-Atlantic and DND (HMCS Halifax Dockyard) have made a successful joint submission to FHIO for $1.45 M for demonstrating Borehole Thermal Energy (Cold) Storage as a cooling system for buildings.

- Collaboration has been initiated between Environment Canada, the University of Toronto and the United States Department of Agriculture to use their urban forest model (UFORE) in a new application to develop policy guidelines for urban vegetation to reduce energy consumption and improve air quality at a community scale.

Environment Canada managed 4 projects within this POL during fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05.

The total funding for this POL in 2003-04 was $2,536,000, and total PERD funds available were $960,000. The total funding for this POL in 2004-05 was $8,517,500, and total PERD funds available were $954,000.

Table 11. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 3.2.4 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	53.0%	56.0%
EC	40.8%	41.0%
PWGSC	3.1%	3.0%
CMHC	3.1%	-

Environment Canada Projects for POL 3.2.4

Project Title: Development of Energy from Waste Technologies and Other Alternative Technologies - Microturbines and Landfill Gas; IWM Model, and Advanced Landfill Technology

Overview

With the ratification of the Kyoto Protocol, the Government of Canada has made climate change a national priority. EC has a lead position in developing initiatives that support Canada's commitments to reduce GHG emissions and help it adapt to the impacts of climate change. Projects addressing energy from waste are important as they advance the development of alternative energy systems for sustainable development. Additional benefits include the enhancement of sustainable waste management strategies, and the reduction of GHG emissions from the destruction of methane and from the offset of fossil fuel use. These projects complement the PERD program by reducing energy consumption, increasing renewable energy development, and therefore reducing CO_2 emissions from waste energy.

Objectives

Specific objectives for the 3 projects are the following:

- Mircroturbines Development/ Emission Research from Landfill Gas: demonstrate microturbine technology for energy production.
- Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Model: The IWM Model provides the ability to compare environmental impacts from a variety of waste management systems options. Further, it allows for the determination of energy requirements and GHG emissions associated with the various waste management systems. The IWM Model requires constant updates on energy data.
- Advanced Landfill Technology: Advance and demonstrate the concept of bioreactors for optimized energy recovery.

Outputs and Successes

- Testing on the microturbine in Calgary is now completed. A call for proposals was issued in the fall of 2004. Five respondents visited the site, and three applications were received. The concept is to move the microturbine to a location where the owner/operator of the landfill will continue to utilize the unit and propagate the unit with additional power production.
- An on-line monitoring system will be installed as part of 2005/06 budget so operations can be shared with any party interested in the on-going operation of the unit
- A workshop was held in December 2004 bringing together experts in bioreactor development and operation and current owners/operators seriously considering bioreactor development. Information was exchanged on pros/cons, energy opportunities, barriers for development and areas for future research.
- A residual disposal workshop is planned for 2005/06 in conjunction with T&I to profile several residual waste disposal options focusing on energy recovery. These include bioreactor landfill, thermal treatment, anaerobic digestion, and sanitary landfill
- A workshop was held in December 2004 bringing together municipalities, consultants and the private sector to discuss functionality of the IWM and additional research needs (A-Base$).

- Additional work was undertaken to continue with the development of GHG emission factors for materials in the municipal solid waste stream. This included updating energy data, and the development of new emission factors for materials such as electronics, tires, white goods, and copper.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$358,000	N/A
% from PERD	43.1%	N/A
% from A-Base	-	N/A
% from Industry	34.9%	N/A
% from Other	23.8%	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 3 of 4 Scheduled to end 2006
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Project Title: Urban Forestry, Green Roofs and Vertical Gardens to Reduce Energy Consumption

Overview

The project is part of a larger research effort to assess the impact of building surfaces on urban temperatures and stormwater runoff and strategies to adapt to climate change by modifying these surfaces. The research will evaluate the potential of using green roofs, vertical gardens and urban forestry to reduce residential summer energy consumption through reductions in canopy-level temperatures and shading. This project benefits EC since it will build on previous research, but at a different scale. The work raises EC's profile with municipalities, US Agency for International Development (USAID) and PERD. The project is building new partnerships with academia and other agencies. It is developing new results for publication to raise the profile of EC research in academic community.

Objectives

- Evaluate the potential of using green roofs, vertical gardens and urban forestry to reduce residential summer energy consumption through reductions in canopy-level temperatures and shading.

- Evaluate other appropriate co-benefits of a vegetation strategy, such as sequestering carbon and improved air quality.

Outputs and Successes

Outputs in 2003/04 include:
- Identified specific areas of the City of Toronto that are appropriate for green roofs.
- Obtained relevant landuse, tree canopy and building information and entered into a GIS database. The land use data was augmented by site specific sampling. Landuse and vegetation data will be combined with hourly meteorological and pollution observations, from Environment Canada, in the USDA Urban Forest Effects model (UFORE).
- Simulate potential energy savings, reductions in air pollution and carbon sequestration from trees, vertical gardens and green roofs. The baseline scenario has been completed. The model simulations for five other variants of the baseline scenario have been completed the output is being analyzed

Outputs in 2004/05 include:
- Completed simulation work using model UFORE. Results are being compiled on work on green roofs, urban forestry and green walls in various combinations. UFORE cannot model the energy component of green roofs, so a new ESP-r model will be used for that. Building data are being assembled.
- Completed ESP-r simulations for two buildings in Toronto with and without green roofs. These results will be used in developing municipal guidelines and in larger benefit analysis for the City of Toronto.
- Completed ESP-r (energy) simulations for representative residential and commercial buildings in Midtown community in Toronto with and without green roofs. Additional buildings are being constructed for modelling purposes. These results will be used in developing municipal guidelines for integrating green roofs with urban forestry and green walls.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	N/A	N/A
% from PERD	N/A	N/A
% from A-Base	N/A	N/A
% from Industry	N/A	N/A
% from Other	N/A	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 3 of 4 Scheduled to end 2006
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Project Title: Tools for design and management of seasonal energy storage for heating and cooling

Overview

The project is involved in developing a variety of tools and procedures for implementing Underground Thermal Energy Storage (UTES), which is an advanced form of ground-source heat pumping. This project will integrate energy services in communities to reduce overall energy requirements, optimize the use of available resources and reduce environmental impacts, including air pollution and GHG emissions. These correlate with EC's objectives, specifically addressing issues of air quality and climate change. This project represents an innovating process that will help achieve integrated energy management at the community level and contribute to sustainable community development.

Objectives

The objective of this project is to deliver the knowledge and tools that will allow the construction, operation and management of energy from thermal networks. The interconnections will facilitate higher overall efficiency of the community energy system, as well as the increased use of renewable and local energy sources. PERD funding for this project started in 2003-2004.

Outputs and Successes

- Evaluation of one large building for harbour cooling with underground seasonal cold storage - Halifax (2003-2004)
- Site evaluation and drilling tests in Okotoks, AB for large scale solar district heating system utilizing seasonal UTES (aquifer or borehole) (2003-2003)
- Workshops with European and North American experts on borehole and aquifer modeling, building simulation, and solar collector roof integration (2003-2004)
- Completion of detailed engineering design for Okotoks system (2003-2004);
- Construction of Okotoks system and installation of monitoring equipment (2004-2005)

Other work recognition:

- Borehole Thermal Energy Storage (BTES) Web Page at the new Technical University of Ontario
- "The thermal storage system is a critical component of the university's heating and cooling system, and will help keep costs down and efficiency up," says Dr. Marc Rosen, Dean of UOIT's Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science. "In addition, the thermal storage system will be used for research and to educate students in thermal energy storage."
- According to Dr. Rosen, who is a past president of the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering, "UOIT's borehole thermal storage system demonstrates the benefits of the technology better than the over 25 case studies presented in our book, and constitutes one of the most important geothermal storage sites in the world."
- Nova Scotia-Open to the World (Magazine), winter 2005 pages 6-7. Energy Update; Title Earth energy, Full colour article on the work of Frank Cruickshanks over the past 25 years
- Three CBC Radio Interviews on this research.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$130,000	$2,130,000
% from PERD	42.3%	4.5%
% from A-Base	57.7%	3.5%
% from other government depts	-	92.0%
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 2 of 3 Scheduled to end 2006
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Project Title: Clean Air Portal

Overview

This project falls within Activity area two of this POL, which aims to foster community decision-making practices that reduce energy demand and facilitate the incorporation of sustainable energy and distribution supply options into community sub-systems. Community sub-systems to be addressed in this activity area include solid waste management, transportation planning, landscaping and urban design, land use planning, and the planning and design of other urban infrastructure such as water and sewage systems.

Objectives

The aim of this project is to improve community (municipal and individual) access to relevant information regarding clean air.

Outputs and Successes

Based on a review of appropriate tools, a website portal was selected as the most appropriate mechanism to achieve this objective. The content development and technical research phase of Clean Air OnLine were completed in 2003/04. Phase I of the content research identified the needed and available information, tools and resources regarding air issues and community engagement; options for the development, use and support of municipal energy or air emission software tools; and tools to facilitate municipal support of the One Tonne Challenge. The technical research led to the identification of two different web sites systems – one for the Federal site, and one for the pilot municipal site (the Greater Toronto Area). Together these two solutions will optimize the interrelationship and security of the Clean Air OnLine information. Completion of the pilot Clean Air OnLine websites occurred in 2005. It is anticipated that an information portal will provide access to current data, research, backgrounders, outreach materials, and best practices case studies on the issues of energy use and the resulting air quality impacts, community planning, urban design and governance.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	N/A	N/A
% from PERD	N/A	N/A
% from A-Base	N/A	N/A
% from Industry	N/A	N/A
% from Other	N/A	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Scheduled to end 2006
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STRATEGIC INTENT 4 – INDUSTRY SECTOR

Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 4.3.3

The Development of Advanced Technologies and Products for Heat Management and Separation Including High Efficiency Drying.

Strategic Intent 4

Strategic Intent 4 is to reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's industrial sectors and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, improving productivity and providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Direction 3

Strategic Direction 3 is to provide S&T to advance generic energy-related technologies and processes to reduce energy intensity, particularly in industry, to achieve productivity gains and reduce GHG emissions and other wastes.

Objective 4.3.3: The Development of Advanced Technologies and Products for Heat Management and Separation Including High Efficiency Drying.

POL 4.3.3 — Research, Development and Deployment for Industrial Separation and Refrigeration (SEPREF)

The SEPREF POL (Industrial Separation and Refrigeration) focuses on decreasing the energy intensity and improving the productivity of selected industrial unit operations that are widely used, are energy-intensive and are amenable to a wiser use of energy through knowledge and technology. The SEPREF POL aims at generating energy-related knowledge and technologies that can be deployed to help Canada meet its environmental stewardship commitments, including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; to formulate sound energy policies; to enhance national capacity for energy technology innovation; and for energy-related industrial development for both the public and private good. New eco-efficient processes that demand less energy and produce less harmful emissions are marketable commodities. They may aid many countries in reaching their environmental commitments and so offer an economic opportunity to Canadian developers. One such EC project (PERD funded) in this POL "Applications of Microwave-Assisted Process (MAP_{TM}) to Solvent-less Synthesis and to Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction" lead to the development of a new process that uses only 10% of the energy required by the one it will replace. This ingenious process has already found commercial application and is expected to result in savings in the pharmaceutical and chemical preparation sector.

The following activities are included under POL 4.3.3:

- Drying Technologies
- Flow-reversal reactor technology
- Membrane separation technology
- Microwave-assisted technology
- Heat (cold) management technology

SEPREF is a "Multi-Player" program to be delivered jointly by Natural Resources Canada, the National Research Council and Environment Canada in partnership with numerous industrial players (e.g. Enbridge, Consumers Gas Parrheim Food inc., Forintek, Westmorland Fisheries, etc.), universities (e.g. Université Laval, McGill University, École Polytechnique, Concordia

University, University of Alberta, Tianjin University, Université de Monction, etc.), various associations (e.g. Agence de l'efficacité énergétique du Québec, Association des manufacturiers du bois d'oeuvre du Québec) and international partners (e.g. Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences, s.a. (France), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (US), CSIRO (Australia). Environment Canada managed 1 project within this POL in 2003-04.

The total PERD budget for 2003-04 was $3,477,000. Financial details for 2004-05 were not available.

Table 12. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 4.3.3 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	N/A	N/A
EC	N/A	N/A
NRC	N/A	N/A

Environment Canada Projects for POL 4.3.3

Project Title: Applications Of Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP_{TM}) To Solvent-Less Synthesis And To Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction

Overview

This project involves the development of the use of microwave-assisted synthesis as an energy-efficient environmentally-friendly industrial process for the pharmaceutical synthesis industry. This is in agreement with PERD's main objective "to provide the science and technology necessary for Canada to move toward a sustainable energy future". It addresses EC's objectives of giving Canadians the tools to build a greener society, pollution prevention, and greenhouse gases reduction. It also supports EC's duty under the Fisheries Act by providing means to reduce or eliminate toxics release into wastewater effluents.

Objectives

The objectives of the project are to provide Canada's synthesis and extraction industrial sector with low solvent and low energy consuming processes that will offer health, economic and environmental benefits both nationally and globally while supporting sustainable development and reducing toxic substances and GHGs. This project aims to further the development of the Government of Canada's patented Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP) and to further the development of the use of microwave–assisted synthesis as an energy efficient environmentally friendly industrial process for the synthesis industry.

Outputs and Successes

This project was highly successful, and operated from 1999 to March 2004. The MAP pilot plant upgrading at WTC is now complete and project objectives have been attained. Many parties have expressed interest in the MAP technology. The commercial and environmental benefits potential for these new technologies is so important that the Department is currently reviewing its options with respect to spinning-off a company into the private sector.

Specific deliverables in 2003/04 included:

- The identification of novel applications of microwaves in heterogeneous chemical synthesis where the uniqueness of such energy application could demonstrate high potential for significant energy and solvent use reduction. To render the dielectmeter more commercial-ready to ensure that other research groups have access and contribute to this expanding field in other industrial sectors.
- Development of an innovative "eco-efficient" platform technology that promotes sustainable development in the new bio-based economy. To further advance Canadian technology by continuing the development, demonstration and commercialisation of other applications of MAP, in particular applications related to the industrial extraction of valuable products from renewable biomass.
- Design and construct a solid-state based microwave generator for laboratory applications to be used in screening procedures.

For its continued effort in the development and commercialisation of the Microwave-Assisted Processes, Prof. J. R. Jocelyn Paré, manager of this PERD project, was awarded the Outstanding Achievement Award by the Prime Minister in December 2003. Prof. Paré was also conferred a Meritorious Service Medal under Canada's Honours and Distinctions System by the Governor General of Canada also in December 2003.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$1,930,000	-
% from PERD	4.1%	-
% from A-Base	5.2%	-
% from Industry	77.7%	-
% from Other	12.9%	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 5 of 5 Scheduled to end 2004
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STRATEGIC INTENT 4 – INDUSTRY SECTOR
Strategic Direction 3 · Objective 4.3.6
Highly Energy-Efficient Industrial Science and Technology (HEIST)

Strategic Intent 4

Strategic Intent 4 is to reduce the overall energy intensity of Canada's industrial sectors and, consequently, their associated GHG emissions while, at the same time, improving productivity and providing Canadian companies with potential economic opportunities.

Strategic Direction 3

Strategic Direction 3 is to provide S&T to advance generic energy-related technologies and processes to reduce energy intensity, particularly in industry, to achieve productivity gains and reduce GHG emissions and other wastes.

Objective 4.3.6: Develop and/or optimize more efficient and innovative industry technologies, tools, processes, products and/or systems to increase the efficiency of energy use resulting in a reduction of their environmental footprint.

POL 4.3.6— Highly Energy-Efficient Industrial Science and Technology (HEIST)[2]

The R&D undertaken in this POL will advance the federal agenda by providing a base of public knowledge with wide applicability across industry sectors. This will assist Canadian industry to meet objectives established under the Large Final Emitter (LFE) system and ensure those objectives have a minimal adverse impact on competitiveness and economic development.

The activities under this POL are closely linked to research being undertaken under the Advanced End-Use Efficiency Industry area of the Climate Change Technology & Innovation Initiative (CCTII). In contrast with the POL, the CCTII Industry area is taking an industry by industry approach and identifying key opportunities related to the most GHG intensive production steps/processes (using "scope tables").

The R&D work to be undertaken in this POL involves four themes:

- Theme 1 – Process Integration & Heat Transfer. This involves an ensemble of knowledge-based technologies that aims at optimizing the interconnections between different parts of an industrial plant to ensure that energy, water and materials are used in an optimum way.
- Theme 2 – Advanced Combustion. This addresses Canadian industry's large proportion of energy-intensive industrial combustion process furnaces, burning fossil fuels. These processes represent a major source of GHG emissions and most of these processes run at very low overall thermal efficiencies, in the range of 30-50%.
- Theme 3 – Intelligent Sensors and Controls. This theme (comprised of sensors, actuators, microprocessors, control algorithms, knowledge and data mining) is concerned with providing crosscutting enabling technologies with a broad spectrum of applications in the areas of energy, environment, transportation, health, safety, defence and security.

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[2] Note: at the time of writing this report, this POL plan was in draft form.

- Theme 4 – Transformative Technologies. Four R&D streams are proposed: (1) the use of narrow-band energy systems (microwave, high frequency, plasma, induction, lasers, etc.) to deliver energy to industrial processes; (2) selective transport such as through specially designed membranes can reduce that energy penalty associated with separation of mixtures; (3) development of processes for producing lightweight polymer foams with reduced process GHG emissions and the input of renewable sources; and (4) optimization of granular multiphase flow processes.

Environment Canada managed 1 project within this POL in 2004-05. This POL is in the first year of a 4 year work cycle. The funding details for this POL were not established at the time of writing of this report.

Environment Canada Projects for POL 4.3.6

Project Title: New EE transformative technologies based on the use of microwave and HF

Overview

This project builds on work undertaken in POL 4.3.3. The ultimate goal in these fundamental research activities is for the MAP to offer a green approach to chemical processes that will allow for the knowledge of the exact amount of energy needed to affect industrial processes, thus minimizing the amount of energy used and enhancing process efficiency. It is believed that further study of non-conventional processes will lead to a definitive answer as to the existence or not of the ever eluding "microwave effect". Sub-sectors in which this technology will be applied include: Smelting & Refining, Mining, Chemicals, Petroleum Refining, Other Manufacturing. Private sector partners of this work include: Radient Technologies Inc., Hydro-Québec, CanAmera/Bunge, Sairem.

Objectives

This project aims to establish the following objectives: 1) Procedures for a batch microwave-assisted synthesis and limits of applicability established along with detailed characteristics of process (March 2005); 2) Operational microwave-assisted synthetic parameters for one selected high-value added target product optimized for batch conditions (March 2006) and continuous flow conditions (March 2007); 3) Solid-state generator integrated into dielectmeter and into analytical devices (March 2007); 4) Technical evaluation of solid-state microwave generator as a potential tool for processing and limit of applicability completed along with one process validated (March 2008).

Outputs and Successes

Specific outputs during the 1st year of this project (2004-05) include:

- Improvements were made to the dielectmeter to allow better operation of the system.
- Various chemicals with various dielectric properties were tested to evaluate the range of samples for operation.
- Significance of work achieved: Environmental improvements through the development of solvent-less microwave-assisted procedures, providing cleaner, more cost- and energy-efficient synthesis process, greenhouse gases reductions via energy savings especially when used in conjunction with low-absorption materials or under solid-phase conditions.
- A first generation of solid-state microwave generator was developed and preliminary testing. If they prove stable and reliable they will open the door to unprecedented capacity in terms of field control.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	-	N/A
% from PERD	-	N/A
% from A-Base	-	N/A
% from Industry	-	N/A
% from Other	-	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 1 of 4 Scheduled to end 2008
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STRATEGIC INTENT 5 – ELECTRICITY SECTOR
Strategic Direction 1 · Objective 5.1.1
Improving the Economics and Efficiency of Conversion of Renewable Energy to Electricity Including Related Storage, Hybrid, and Systems Technologies

Strategic Intent 5

Strategic Intent 5 is to reduce the environmental impacts of Canada's electricity infrastructure, particularly greenhouse gases, through alternative electric power generation, increased efficiency of fossil-based plants, and strategies to capture and manage emissions.

Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1 is to provide S&T to increase the proportion of Canada's electricity supply from renewables and distributed systems which offer improved system integration and reduced environmental impacts. (R&D activities in this area will exclusively address generic technological issues whose applications are not related to communities, buildings, and industry).

Objective 5.1.1: Improving the Economics and Efficiency of Conversion of Renewable Energy to Electricity Including Related Storage, Hybrid, and Systems Technologies.

POL 5.1.1– Electricity from Renewable Energy Technologies

Canada is a world leader in the production of renewable energy- approximately 17% of its primary energy supply comes from such sustainable sources. Canada's renewable energy is primarily derived from two sources: water (11%) and biomass (6%). Renewable energy sources such as wind power and solar energy, solar thermal and photovoltaics (PV), as well as the newer small hydro and biofuels technologies are rapidly gaining in importance.

This POL focuses on the accelerated development of emerging renewable energy technologies used to generate electricity. It covers the generation of electrical energy from Wind energy, Small Hydro, Biomass, Photovoltaics, and the associated infrastructure issues. By improving the economics and efficiency of renewable energy technologies, Canada can increase its low or non- CO_2 emitting energy supply options to address the Kyoto targets. One target set by the Climate Change Plan for Canada calls for 10% of new electricity generating capacity to come from emerging renewable sources. Projects such as those undertaken within POL 5.1.1 are expected to play a key role in meeting this target.

Highlights within this POL are numerous and include research by NRCan on new windenergy systems or components developed/tested, pointing to promising advantages over existing ones and potential manufacturing opportunities such as the New Direct Drive Generators for 10-50kW wind turbines allowing more efficient wind-energy conversion. In the biomass to electricity field, several companies are making progress in their efforts to advance bio-oil for electricity generation. An EC project reports a major accomplishment with respect to wind modeling/forecasting. Their modeling technique is important both for the transfer of the wind modeling technology to the wind energy community, and as development of a component of an improved wind forecasting system. A new solar portion of the EC project is aiming to provide spectral irradiance data for the PV industry in anticipation of new ISO standards on PV efficiency. The summer observations of spectral irradiance are some of the first such observations in Canada.

In 2004-05 the focus of POL 5.1.1 with respect to R&D industry support was to develop/adapt new technologies and processes in order to improve their performance, reliability and cost/effectiveness. The full realization of these objectives not only requires on-going improvements through R&D of all the relevant above-mentioned technologies, but also the associated infrastructure issues of resource assessment, interconnection standards and guidelines, ecological and environmental interactions as well as public acceptance. Through the on-going cooperation with the POL 5.1.1 partners, we were able to advance significantly the state-of-the-art of these technologies, achieving the majority of our targets on time, in addition to others, which were not identified in the original POL 5.1.1 plan.

Progress achieved in all four-technology options provides enough confidence that targets for 2006 will be achieved.

The following activities are included under POL 5.1.1:

- Wind Energy Technology Development
- Small Hydro Technology Development
- Biomass Conversion to Electricity
- Solar PV Electricity Technology
- Infrastructure Support for all renewable energy electricity generating technologies such as resource assessment, interconnection issues, ecological and environmental issues, and geotechnical issues associated with electricity generation/transmission technologies.

International partnerships include the International Energy Agency (IEA) as well as a number of bilateral collaborations with the US and Europe for Bioenergy, PV, Stream Flow Management, Small Hydro, and others. Funding and collaborative partners include federal departments such as NRCan, EC, DF&O, PWGSC and NRC, the Climate Change Action Plan – Technology for Early Action Measures (TEAM) and other related governmental programs. POL 5.1.1 also has a wide range of R&D partners and collaborators from industry (e.g Bolwell Composites Technologies, MSC Entreprises, Dynamotive Energy Systems Corp, Enerkem Technologies, and many more), universities (e.g. Université Laval, École de Technologie Supérieure, University of New Brunswick., Dalhousie University, University of Buffalo, etc.) and other agencies (e.g. International Energy Agency, CSA, Parks Canada, etc.). Environment Canada managed 1 project within this POL in fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05.

For fiscal year 2004-05, the total budget for this POL was $8,450,000, of which $1,204,000 represents PERD funding. The PERD budget was $1,205,000 for 2003-04, while the total budget for this fiscal year was $7,207,000.

Table 13. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.1.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan	84.0%	83.0%
EC	9.0%	10.0%
DFO	7.0%	7.0%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.1.1

Project Title: Solar and Wind Energy Resource Assessment

Overview

This project involves the development of tools and infrastructure support such as forecasting instrumentation, modeling, and guideline development for solar and wind energy technology development in Canada. This work supports Environment Canada's objectives of informing policy through science in this new and evolving field.

Objectives

The goals of this project are to have improved infrastructure for decision making related to electricity supply from renewable energy systems.

Outputs and Successes

Outputs for 2003-3004 include:

- The joint EC/NRCAN proposal for the Technology and Innovation project "National Wind Atlas and Related Tools" was successful at the level of $1,550,000 for 2004-2009. The wind mapping and technology transfer aspects of this PERD project will now be addressed by the new T&I funding. The PERD funding to continue the wind modelling and mapping R&D in this project was instrumental in the success of this proposal. It represents a significant success story for this POL and PERD in general.

- Joint NRCAN/EC proposals were prepared and submitted to build on this and other PERD related work including solar spectral and forecasting research. The team was asked to refocus some aspects and submit again this year. The result has been increased activity for the spectral component of this project, including as noted below, EDRL directly supporting research instrumentation and the IEA SCHP's Task 20 Solar Resource Knowledge Management activities.

- EC/MSC will start, with support of this project, to update the design wind loads to address standard inconsistencies with CSA F416-87 (wind turbines). EC/MSC will coordinate this effort with the technical committees of these codes and standards with a view to sharing the funding required (CEA has already expressed interest).

Outputs for 2004-3005 include:

- Solar Resource: A prototype of an array spectrometer has been built and tested using an Ocean Optics HR4000CG-UV-NIR instrument. Collaboration with NRCAN Varennes has enabled installation and operation of a full radiation instrument suite and the prototype spectrometer array in 2005.

- Solar & Building Climatology (National Archives and Data Management Branch component): Participation in ASHRAE Technical Committee 4.2 Weather Information is an ongoing involvement to conduct research and development on climatic data needed for the building energy community. TC 4.2 at its June meeting approved an updated Chapter 27 Climatic Information for the 2005 ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals

providing design information for building energy systems and related issues. The number of locations has increased from 1400 to 4400 worldwide, including increasing the number of Canadian locations from 134 to 297. The amount of information for each location is doubled, responding to stated requirements of the building design community. Publication of a CD-ROM has been initiated.

- Wind Energy Resource Assessment and Forecasting: A Report was submitted to "La Regie d'Energie du Quebec". "Cartographie et analyse du gisement eolien du Quebec par le systeme WEST". RRSE.doc.6, R-3526-2004, Expertise pour « Regroupement pour la responsabilite social des entreprises », by Drs. Robert Benoit and Wei Yu, Recherche en Prevision Numerique, MSC, EC, Avril 2004. In addition, the first version of Canadian Wind Energy Atlas has been completed in Oct. 2004. This is the first step towards a validated National Wind Energy Atlas. Observation data collection is under way to validate the newly created atlas. The validation will lead to an improvement of WEST (Wind Energy Simulation Toolkit). An improved and validated version of Canadian Wind Energy Atlas will be prepared in one year and half. The creation of the Canadian Wind Energy Atlas website (www.windatlas.ca in English or www.atlaseolien.ca in French) was also completed. All the images and digital data are available to public at this website. The ENSim-WE - the Wind Energy Simulation Toolkit (WEST) was ported to Window-XP (in collaboration with NRC, Ottawa) and is now publicly available. Further to a request of GE Wind Energy, the wind energy potential was evaluated for each province based on the Canadian Wind Energy Atlas.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$288,000	$349,000
% from PERD	48.6%	34.4%
% from A-Base	48.6%	60.2%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	2.8%	5.4%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year N/A. Scheduled to end 2006
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STRATEGIC INTENT 5 – ELECTRICITY SECTOR

Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 5.2.1

The Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE) for More Efficient and Environmentally Benign Electricity Generation

Strategic Intent 5

Strategic Intent 5 is to reduce the environmental impacts of Canada's electricity infrastructure, particularly greenhouse gases, through alternative electric power generation, increased efficiency of fossil-based plants, and strategies to capture and manage emissions.

Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 is to provide S&T to reduce emissions and the associated environmental impacts from centralized, combustion-based electric power generation systems.

Objective 5.2.1: The Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE) for More Efficient and Environmentally Benign Electricity Generation

POL 5.2.1—Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE)

Canada's largest remaining hydrocarbon resource is contained in coal seams distributed in diverse geological settings from coast to coast (coal constitutes 90% of North America's remaining hydrocarbon resources). These coal seams also contain potential unconventional methane resources. New technologies for surface and in situ gasification indicate coal can be a major source of petrochemical products now refined from oil and gas. Deep coal seams also have potential as storage sites for greenhouse gases from Canada's electricity generation and conventional hydrocarbon sectors. Higher efficiency technologies for coal-fired electrical generation coupled with new emissions control technologies indicate coal can contribute to greenhouse gas reduction targets while maintaining environmental standards.

This POL focuses on the characterization of Canadian fuels and their emissions for more efficient and environmentally benign electricity generation. Highlights within this POL include preliminary results from NRCan research on the characterization of emissions and by-products from coal-burning power plants. Data illustrate the true impacts of this activity, as opposed to the often emotional assertions expressed by the general public. For example, preliminary results indicate one-third of the particulate matter emitted is non-respirable. The particulate emissions from a modern coalfired power using highly efficient particulate control technology can achieve, and even surpass, the National New Source Emission Guideline of 0.095Kg/Mwh for PM. An EC project has shown that certain components of coals are strongly correlated to increased mercury capture. These components are present in some coals but not in others. The implication of this is it may be possible for power plants to reduce mercury emissions by fuel switching or by blending the beneficial coal with the typically used coal. Methods which can be employed to reduce emissions of mercury will provide options to the electric power generating sector to meet air emissions criteria.

The following activities are included under POL 5.2.1:
- Fuel Characterization for Sustainable Production and Environmental Risk Assessment
- Resource Management Technology Development
- Emissions Characterization and Environmental Monitoring

Environment Canada manages 1 project within this POL. The PERD budget for 2003-04 was $2,254,000. Financial information for 2004-05 was not available.

Table 14. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.2.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
EC	N/A	N/A
Other Government Departments	N/A	N/A

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.2.1

Project Title: Environmental Contaminants in Coal and Coal By-products

Overview

This project was conducted by the Electricity and Combustion Division (ECD) of Environment Canada, and involves research in the area of coal combustion and coal by-products. This research helps to develop a thorough understanding of the environmental impacts of fossil fuel-fired electricity generation systems and thereby allows the ECD to assess options for the prevention, reduction or mitigation of these impacts. This knowledge aids in informing the Minister of the Environment on issues of concern and in the development of appropriate policy to address these issues. Specifically, this research has enabled informed decisions on the following Environment Canada initiatives: the Multi-Pollutant Emissions Reductions Process for the Electric Power Sector, the revisions to the CEPA 1999 New Sources Emission Guidelines for Thermal Electricity Generation, and the Canada-wide Standards for Mercury from Coal-fired Electric Power Plants.

This project is under Activity 3 of PERD POL 5.2.1, namely the characterization of emissions from Canada's major centralized power generation plants in terms of trace and other elemental contaminants, as well a particulates and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. The goal of Activity 3 is to determine the effect of these contaminants on emissions with a view to development of emission reduction strategies; this project fits well with this goal.

Objectives

The purpose of this project is to determine the characteristics of coals and their constituents that affect the ability for mercury in the coal to be captured in the combusted coals' resulting fly ash, as opposed to the mercury being emitted to atmosphere. The goal is to determine the quantification of the contaminants (e.g., heavy metals) and the factors that affect the transformation and speciation of these contaminants, and to identify strategies for preventing or minimizing the release of these contaminants.

Outputs and Successes

This work is comprised of laboratory and field investigations into the analyses of coal feed stocks, the ash by-product and the emissions to atmosphere from coal-fired boilers. The work has shown that certain components of coals are strongly correlated to increased mercury capture. These components are present in some coals but not in others. The implication of this is that it may be possible for power plants to reduce mercury emissions by fuel switching or by blending the beneficial coal with the typically used coal. Methods which can be employed to reduce emissions of mercury will provide options to the electric power generating sector to meet air emissions criteria such as the pending CCME Canada-wide Standards for Mercury Emissions from Coal-Fired Electric Power Generation Plants.

In 2003-04, laboratory work involved the determination of the characteristics of coal and coal's constituents that affect the ability for mercury in the coal to be captured in the fly ash of combusted coal.

In 2004-05 laboratory work involved development of a dry method for concentration of char/carbon in fly ash and to use this method to characterize the chars and determine their mercury content.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$293,600	$263,600
% from PERD	20.4%	22.8%
% from A-Base	14.7%*	16.3
% from Industry	51.1%	45.5
% from Other	13.8%	15.4

Administration

Duration of Project	Scheduled to end 2007 Year 2 of 4
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*This A-Base funding is from NRCan, not EC.

STRATEGIC INTENT 5 – ELECTRICITY SECTOR
Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 5.2.2
The Conversion of Fossil Fuels to Electricity More Efficiently with Ultra-low Environmental Emissions

Strategic Intent 5

Strategic Intent 5 is to reduce the environmental impacts of Canada's electricity infrastructure, particularly greenhouse gases, through alternative electric power generation, increased efficiency of fossil-based plants, and strategies to capture and manage emissions.

Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Direction 2 is to provide S&T to reduce emissions and the associated environmental impacts from centralized, combustion-based electric power generation systems.

Objective 5.2.2: The Conversion of Fossil Fuels to Electricity More Efficiently with Ultra-low Environmental Emissions

POL 5.2.2—Clean and Efficient Combustion Technologies for Large Utility Electricity Generation

The generation of electricity by fossil fuel combustion is a major source of air contaminants worldwide. Approximately two-thirds of the world's electricity is generated by burning coal, natural gas and oil. In Canada, fossil fuels (70% coal, 18% natural gas, 7% oil and 5% biomass) account for 27% of the electricity generated. It is clear that this form of electricity production contributes to emissions affecting air quality, in the form of nitrogen oxide (NOx), sulphur dioxide (SOx), particulate matter (PM) and mercury (Hg). This POL focuses on the assessment and development of technologies to convert fossil fuels to electricity more efficiently and with ultra-low emissions.

The following activities are included under POL 5.2.2:
- Upgrading of Existing Technologies (R&D on improved thermal efficiencies and reduced GHG emissions from existing generating stations).
- Air Quality Technologies (Determination of potentially hazardous substances in
- combustion residues)
- Advanced Electricity Cycles (Advanced, high-efficiency, clean combustion cycles for electricity)

Canada is participating along with 10 other countries to IEA Bioenergy Agreement (Energy from Integrated Solid Waste Management Systems). Through this POL, Canada also participates to the International Energy Agency (IEA) implementing Agreement on Clean Coal Sciences.

The highlights during 2003-04 include:

- The implementation of a new agreement with CIDA to develop new CFD (computational fluid dynamics) models to be applied to Chinese PC boilers.
- CFD simulations have also been extended to natural gas boilers, in order to allow them to be optimized. This program calls for the evaluation of 10 retrofit strategies to be carried out with OPG and Union Gas in Ontario.
- A study to develop methods for better utilization of petroleum coke in NSPI boilers was undertaken.

- An advanced ash monitoring system has been developed for soot blowing systems and a strategy has been developed to apply this technology to OPG systems. Characterization of ash transformations for OPG's Nanticoke boiler, and development and validation of advanced predictive procedures for ash deposition was undertaken.
- New technologies have been developed for flue gas Hg measurement. These systems will provide near-real-time, on-line Hg species determinations for coal-fired boilers, and a prototype has been developed which is currently being evaluated.
- A new fine particulate measurement sampling system has been developed for PM2.5 and PM10 emissions from stationary combustion sources, and this has been successfully demonstrated on a coal-fired Alberta power plant. This technology has also been selected by Environment Canada for collecting emissions data for establishing particulate emissions factors for the National Pollution Release Inventory.
- The CETC-O Analytical Lab was chosen as the designated lab for a 6-month round-robin program under the UDCP initiative. A major database was developed for Hg in coal and ash samples for Canadian coal-fired power plant. This database will be used as the basis to set up standards for mercury emissions from Canadian coal-fired utility boilers.
- A number of cost-effective control technologies have successfully been developed with several options for Hg removal and these have been validated at the pilot-scale level for low-rank coals. The process to patent the technology has been initiated.
- An updated worldwide survey of the status of gasification plants and technology advancements was prepared for Environment Canada, and an evaluation of Hg emissions for CCPC (Canadian Clean Power Coalition) coals was also prepared based on pilot-scale tests. Gasification studies also included detailed techno-economic evaluations of the various IGCC (Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle) technologies now on offer based on site visits and ASPEN simulations.
- Advanced processes from Zero Emission Coal Alliance and FutureGen were examined, and a new optimized technology proposed. Patents were also filed for advanced processes for hot scrubbing of CO_2.
- A new pressurized gasifier was commissioned and this unit, which is the only one of its type in North America, will be used: to study Canadian coals for CCPC and Environment Canada; to develop new optical probes for gasification with the University of Toronto and the Gas Technology Institute of Chicago; and to act as an economical test bed for Canadian utilities interested in advanced technology development.
- An advanced flame monitoring system has been developed for use with burners in utility boilers. The system uses the distribution of emitted radiation from the flame at each burner to identify which burners are operating outside of specification.
- A novel software has been developed to examine the characteristics of bituminous coals. The software gives the economics and technical constraints in each of the five types of boiler used by Nova Scotia Power Inc. (NSPI).
- A R&D program has been developed in conjunction with McMaster University to examine the use of radical shower cold plasma methods to reduce pollutants such as NOx, SOx and Hg. This program has been accepted by three utility partners.
- A contract to develop an AI (artificial intelligence) demonstration site and program was completed for the CEATI and presented to the membership of the Thermal Generation Interest Group (TGIG), which consists of power utility members.
- A model of a rotating regenerative air heater (Ljungstrom) has been developed and validated vs. field data. The oxyfuel results of this model were presented to members of the CANMET Oxyfuel consortium. The model development bridges two POLs—5.2.2 and 4.3.4.

Highlights during 2004-05 include:

- Fourteen Chinese boilers have been simulated with CFD modeling and six Chinese researchers were trained at CETC-O.

- CETC-O utilized its CFD capability to simulate NSPI's Lingan boiler to identify the causes and/or contributing factors to carbon carryover, asymmetric flame shape and NOx formation. The model results provide important information to NSPI to optimize the operation of their unit in utilizing the coal and pet coke blend. NSPI is now confident in the CETC-O CFD model and will use it as an evaluation tool in their selection of a new low-NOx burner system for their units in the near future.
- CETC-O has been working with NSPI to develop new methods for sorbent reactivation for their CFBC Point Aconi boiler. Two methods are being developed.
- CETC-O is also working with INCO to develop a new roasting process using FBC technology and with private power producers to allow them to co-fire biomass.
- CETC-O is working with both western and eastern Canadian utilities to develop new analytical methods for fuels, which will provide information to reduce fouling and ignition problems with utility-scale models and reduce the need for soot blowing in Canadian boilers.
- CETC-O successfully demonstrated the application of fine particulate measurement methodology at a coal-fired power plant in Alberta.
- Under the Uniform Data Collection Program, CETC-O has also been analyzing coal and ash samples from across Canada to determine what the likely Hg baseline emissions from Canadian utility plants are, in support of impending regulations for Hg emissions from coal-fired power plants.

In 2003-04 the total budget of this POL was $4,682,000, and total PERD funding was $2,280,000. In 2004-05 the total budget of this POL was $4,753,500, and total PERD funding was $2,041,000. Environment Canada is managing 1 project within this POL.

Table 15. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 5.2.2 Allocated to Each Department

Department	Percentage of Funds %	
	2003-04	2004-05
NRCan	85.8%	94.6%
EC	14.5%	5.4%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 5.2.2

Project Title: Prevention, Control and Mitigation of Pollution from Stationary Combustion Sources

Overview

The projects conducted by the Electricity and Combustion Division (ECD) of Environment Canada under POL 5.2.2 involve research in the area of coal combustion and coal by-products. This research helps to develop a thorough understanding of the environmental impacts of fossil fuel-fired electricity generation systems and thereby allows the ECD to assess options for the prevention, reduction or mitigation of these impacts. This knowledge aids in informing the Minister of the Environment on issues of concern and in the development of appropriate policy to address these issues. Specifically, this research has enabled informed decisions on the following Environment Canada initiatives: the Multi-Pollutant Emissions Reductions Process for the Electric Power Sector, the revisions to the CEPA 1999 New Sources Emission Guidelines for Thermal Electricity Generation, and the Canada-wide Standards for Mercury from Coal-fired Electric Power Plants.

Objectives

The current work is comprised of several areas of study. The objectives of the supporting work are summarized as performing:

- laboratory investigation of sorbents and control technologies for mercury capture from power plant stack gases;
- laboratory and field investigation of integrated coal gasification technology (ICGT) and its implications/impacts for the Canadian electricity industry and indigenous coal reserves;
- laboratory and field development of a methodology for measurement of the condensable fraction of fine particulate matter; and
- laboratory development of an advanced technique for the real-time sampling, measurement and monitoring of ambient aerosol particulate matter.

This project is under two PERD POL 5.2.2 Activities. The first is the Air Quality Technologies Activity, which seeks to determine potentially hazardous substances in combustion residues. The second is the Advanced Electricity Cycles Activity, which seeks to research and develop advanced, high-efficiency and clean combustion cycles for electricity.

Outputs and Successes

1. Mercury Capture

- In 2003/2004 a study was carried out by the Saskatchewan Research Council to determine the properties and mechanisms of sorbents for potential capture of mercury from coal-fired power plants. This research will aid in the formation of implementation plans for the Canada-wide Standards for Mercury Emissions from Coal-fired Electric Power Generation Plants.
- In 2004/2005, a project was carried out by SaskPower to develop a mercury mass-balance for the pilot-scale scale mercury removal system at the SaskPower Boundary Dam power station.

2. Application of ICGT in Canada

- This is an on-going study into the state of the art of coal gasification. The principal investigator is CANMET Advanced Combustion Technology Centre. Following on the industry's acceptance of the technology for a future plant, CANMET is constructing its own

pilot-scale gasification research facility. This will allow more in-depth research on the workings of a gasification unit and on the applicability to Canadian fuels. This project is expected to continue well into the future, as it appears that coal gasification has been deemed by the fossil fuel-fired electricity generating utilities to be the technology of choice for the next generation of power plants. This continued technology watch will help evaluate the environmental performance of such plants. Yearly reports are prepared and are available.

3. Pilot scale & Field Demonstration of PM Measurement System

- This work is being carried out by CANMET Advanced Combustion Technology Centre in collaboration with two Canadian electric utilities. The purpose of the work is to devise a method for the measurement of the ultra-fine, condensable fraction of PM in coal-fired combustion systems. Previous laboratory work proved the concept and equipment is feasible and field trials in 2003/2004 further confirmed the techniques. Research continued through 2004/2005.

4. Laser Ablation Mass Spectrometry (LAMS)

- This work is carried out by the University of Toronto (UofT) Department of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. Previous work investigated and proved the concept of using the novel technique of laser ablation mass spectrometry (LAMS) to physically and chemically characterize ambient particulate matter in real time. Further work involved the construction of a LAMS unit at UofT for sampling ambient PM and the development of techniques for sorting and analyzing the data. Laboratory work continued through 2004/2005.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$1,234,300	$1,080,697
% from PERD	21.5%	21.4%
% from A-Base	4.8%	6.0%
% from Industry	11.7%	28.7%
% from Other	62.0%	43.9%
Administration		
Duration of Project	Scheduled to end 2006	
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STRATEGIC INTENT 6 – CLIMATE SECTOR
Strategic Direction 1 – Objective 6.1.1
Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector

Strategic Intent 6

Strategic Intent 6 is to minimize the negative impacts of climate change on the Canadian energy sector.

Strategic Intent 6 - Strategic Direction 1

Strategic Direction 1 is to provide S&T to support the Canadian energy sector's response to the impacts of climate change.

Objective 6.1.1: Impacts of Climate Change on the Energy Sector

The development of a better understanding of the impacts of climate change on the energy sector, improvement in the forecasting of those impacts, and the development of some possible response strategies.

POL 6.1.1 — Climate Change Impacts on the Energy Sector (CCIES)

Greenhouse gas concentrations are on the increase and will continue to be so even with full implementation of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The result is climate change. The energy sector (production, transmission, distribution and demand) will be affected by changes in temperatures (changes in seasonal heating and cooling demands), sea level rise, sea ice regimes, land stability, hydrological cycles, wind regimes and cloud cover as well as changes in extreme events. Climate change research, conducted in Canada, will enhance our understanding of the climate system and improve our ability to forecast future climate. These forecasts will be most robust when presented at global scales; this POL addresses the challenge of both downscaling these predictions and presenting them in the appropriate parameters so that they can be used to assess the impacts on the energy sector in various regions of Canada.

Anticipating the impact on the energy sector and formulating response strategies begins with a basic understanding of climatic events. One of EC's projects in this POL involves looking at historical temperature and hydrological data to determine if the pattern of natural variation suggests a climate change signal already exists. In the Gulf of St. Lawrence region a similar EC project involves the development of a coupled air-ice-ocean localized climate model capable of predicting the high frequency and seasonal changes in the weather, currents, ice, and the heat/salt/nutrient/momentum content and fluxes in the Gulf.

In 2004-05, areas of focus for this POL included:

- Models developed by researchers are being used for decision making and new versions are being developed for targeted purposes. For example, a version of the TNR model is being developed for the Region of Waterloo.
- Provincial government agencies are collaborating in the refinement of fire suppression models and hydrological models. Research was carried out in close collaboration with

groups such as OURANOS, a new Quebec consortium funded by Hydro Quebec, MSC and several Quebec provincial departments.

- Research collaborations and partnerships were established with provincial and municipal agencies. These agencies provided data, GIS support, travel funds and other in-kind and cash contributions. This facilitated dialogue across governance boundaries and sector interests.
- Industry are aware of the work of the POL and are using the results to help them deal with present day environmental and engineering issues and, more recently, to fund research on future trends. We believe this is a natural evolution in terms of uptake of new information. Organizations with a learning culture are more likely to take up the climate change science.
- Water is a cross-cutting issue and interest is growing in the interdisciplinary study of water. Researchers in this POL have provided hydroelectric companies and government agencies with assistance on water apportionment and licensing strategies as well as hydrometric, meteorological, operational and reservoir data.
- Close collaboration was maintained with western Arctic communities during the fieldwork associated with land subsidence issues. Climate change impacts are felt most acutely at the community level; therefore, communities will probably become a driving force for climate change science.
- Results were shared with regulatory and standard setting agencies such as the National Energy Board; policy groups involved in oil and gas development in the Mackenzie Valley and East Coast offshore; and with groups involved in recommending standards for national building codes and for offshore structures and operations.

More than 60 papers were published and over 70 presentations were made at workshops and conferences across Canada and internationally. This POL has a strategic communication plan that helps to systematize dissemination of results as well as to gather and incorporate feedback from stakeholders.

The following activities are included under POL 6.1.1:

- The potential impacts of climate change on energy production.
- The potential impacts of climate change on energy transmission and distribution.
- The potential impacts of climate change on energy demand.

This POL is funded by the following federal departments: NRCan, EC and Fisheries and Oceans. Other funding sources include universities, industry (Ouranos, Manitoba Hydro, various east coast Oil and Gas operators), as well as other sources (CCAF, CCRS, CSA, US office of Global Programs, Australia CSIRO, PCSP, NREI) and other POLs. Industry, associations and various agencies that have made cash and in-kind contributions toward research projects indicate they place value on information provided by projects in this POL. Environment Canada managed 7 projects in this POL during fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05.

The total 2004-2005 annual budget for POL 6.1.1 was $2,751,300, including total PERD resources of $715,900. Financial information for 2003-2004 was not available.

Table 16. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 6.1.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
DFO	N/A	33.4%
EC	N/A	52.1%
NRCan	N/A	14.5%

Environment Canada Projects for POL 6.1.1

Project Title: Historical and Future Climate for the Assessment of Energy Sector Impacts in Canada

Overview

This research involves the development of climate scenarios using requirements defined by the energy sector and accepted procedures within the impacts research community, as recommended by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Historical climate scenarios are based on recorded observations and provide baseline climate information/statistics, as well as a sense of the range and character of natural variability and trends and exceedance thresholds for extremes. Futures scenarios are developed using the outputs of at least two IPCC-recognized climate models, one of which is the most recent Canadian Global Climate Model (GCM). The work also involves a re-examination of the conclusions of the Canada Country Study energy chapter in the light of the light of historical and future climate scenarios developed through this project. This component of the project will also serve as a basis for identifying and promoting further work on the impacts of climate change on the energy sector and on adaptation measures.

Objectives

The objective of this project is to provide a nationally-consistent set of energy sector scenarios of historical and future climate change that address the needs of researchers and decision-makers and which are consistent with other sectoral impacts information being developed within the Canadian Climate Impacts Scenarios (CCIS) Project. In addition, the project aims to engage representatives of the energy sector in updating the energy sector chapter of the Canada Country Study based on the available historical and future climate scenarios

Outputs and Successes

The report *Climate Change and the Canadian Energy Sector: Report on Vulnerability Impact and Adaptation* was published in 2003-2004. This peer reviewed Report updated the Energy Chapter of the Canada Country Study of 1998. In addition, statistical downscaling of climate scenarios was conducted for maximum and minimum temperature, rainfall and total precipitation for 57 stations across Canada.[3] In 2004-2005 downscaling continued for an additional 43 sites.

[3] General Circulation Models (GCMs) suggest that rising concentrations of greenhouse gases will have significant implications for climate at global and regional scales. Less certain is the extent to which meteorological processes at individual sites will be affected. So–called “downscaling” techniques are used to bridge the spatial and temporal resolution gaps between what climate modelers are currently able to provide and what impact assessors require.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	N/A	$53,000
% from PERD	N/A	81.0%
% from A-Base	N/A	19.0%
% from Industry	N/A	-
% from Other	N/A	-

Administration

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Project Title: Regional Climate Modelling and Analysis for the Canadian Inland Seas and Watershed Impacts on the Energy sector

Overview

This research involves the development and application of a coupled (climate and ocean) regional model that will adequately represent the past, present and future climate of Eastern Canada. The work includes the development of climate scenarios using global climate models and statistical downscaling methods for strategic locations within the province of Quebec (this work also entails the validation of these tools with past climate and hence the development of a better understanding of past climatic trends); and the application of results to impact and assessment studies related to energy sectors, such as hydro electric production in the Saint-Lawrence, marine transportation in seasonally ice covered areas, gas and oil exploration, current and future renewable energy potential (winds) over the north-eastern part of Canada and major infrastructures and links with public security, among others.

Objectives

The purpose of this project is to develop regional climate change modeling tools and scenarios for watersheds in Eastern Canada and the application of these scenarios to assess impacts on a variety of energy interests.

Outputs and Successes

During 2004-2005, analysis of the results of the coupled model was completed and techniques for scenario development involving statistical downscaling were evaluated. This will allow further work on the evaluation of statistical downscaling techniques for extreme events (case study of water availability) and temperature regime for Hudson's Bay eastern coast.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$407,000	$88,600
% from PERD	32.0%	72.0%
% from A-Base	39.0%	17.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	29.0%	11.0%

Administration

Duration of Project	Transitional Year ended in 2004-05
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Project Title: Climate Change and Offshore Design Criteria

Overview

Climate variability and the impact of storms on offshore structures is a key concern of the oil and gas industry. In order to plan for future events, the industry needs to know whether apparent changes in mean and maximum values of wave height, storm frequency, etc. are real trends or parts of cyclical variations.

This research involves three components: (1) the development of a consistent long term time series of wind, wave and storm data (from various sources); (2) the analysis of those time series to identify trends and variability; and (3) the use of those research results to assess potential impacts on design criteria.

The project is a collaborative venture with a number of international partners, addressing specifically some of the Canadian concerns, notably the historical context of the recent extreme events on the east coast (Halloween storm, "storm of the century", Hurricane Luis), a long-term reference wind and wave climatology, and wind and wave trend and variability analysis. In particular the project seeks to answer the question: "Are storms becoming more frequent and/or more severe?" By determining if and how the marine climate is changing, the work will contribute to reducing the uncertainties surrounding the future climate, and hence impacts on design criteria.

Objectives

The objectives of this project are to investigate whether and how the marine climate is changing (e.g. becoming more severe or more variable), the potential impacts on the design and operation of offshore facilities, and the likely vulnerability of these facilities to climate change.

Outputs and Successes

Significant advances have been made in the analysis of long-term trend and variability in wind speed and wave height, both globally and in detail for the North Atlantic Ocean. Important results show a statistically significant trend in wave heights in the Northeast Atlantic; wave height trends in Canadian waters have shown zero or negative trend, but with increased variability. The patterns have been shown to be closely linked to the North Atlantic Oscillation, and also to the location and intensity of storm tracks.

Work is virtually complete on a 40-year global wind and wave reanalysis. Cross-validation of different sources has identified the uncertainties associated with each data set, which is an important input to the design criteria estimation.

Encouraging results have been obtained with new analysis techniques involving the use of long-term trends in the development of engineering design criteria.

Work continues on the global collection of winds from the Voluntary Observing Fleet (VOF), in a collaborative project with the Southampton Oceanography Centre. For periods exceeding about 40 years the only available data set is the global collection of winds from the Voluntary Observing Fleet. These data extend back to 1854 at present, and efforts are being made through international programs to further extend those data sets back in time. However, wind data sets from ships contain many known sources of biases, including differences between

measured and estimated winds, differing from country to country, anemometer height and averaging interval differences, and flow distortion from the vessel itself. A considerable amount of effort is being devoted in this project to investigating these biases; without removal of the biases, any realistic analysis of climate variability and change is impossible. A PhD thesis has recently been completed on flow distortion effects on historical ship wind measurements, and two papers were presented at the WMO CLIMAR-II conference on results from this project.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$234,000	$239,100
% from PERD	23.0%	16.0%
% from A-Base	38.0%	52.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	38.0%	31.0%

Administration

Duration of Project	Transitional Year ended in 2004-05
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Project Title: Climate change impacts on cold-regions hydrologic processes and extreme events associated with the hydro-electric and oil/gas industries in western and northern Canada

Overview

The hydrologic regime, and potential climate related changes, are significant to energy exploration, production, and transmission, including both hydro-electric and oil/gas, in western and northern Canada. This research considers past changes in the hydrologic regime, modifies and tests existing hydrologic models and linkages to atmospheric models, and considers future hydrologic changes that have implications to the energy industry. Work focuses geographically on the southern Mackenzie and Cordillera where hydro-electric concerns dominate, and the continuous permafrost region of the northern Mackenzie where oil and gas development is currently of primary concern.

Objectives

The objectives of the work are to improve our understanding of the climatological and hydrological factors that affect energy production and transmission, particularly hydro-electric power in western Canada, and oil and gas development in northwestern Canada. Through a climate model based approach, the study will also quantify the effects of a changing climate, particularly extreme hydrological events and changes in permafrost, on energy production and transmission. As well initial steps will be taken with respect to adaptation to climate change through the development of an operating strategy for hydro-electric facilities under future climate-change conditions to control downstream extreme events and minimize water-resource conflicts.

Outputs and Successes

Highlights include:

- Major synoptic circulation patterns and large-scale atmospheric teleconnections have been identified, affecting past trends and variability in both winter snow accumulation and spring snow ablation rates in the Peace-Athabasca Delta.

- River-runoff and ice-jam models for the Peace River in the Southern Mackenzie have been integrated, allowing for the development of climate-change scenarios.

- The effect of a changed climate on the ice regime of the lower Peace, and especially on the ice-jam flood frequency, has been re-assessed using updated predictions. Ice-jam flooding is expected to only occur once during the last 30 years of this century (as opposed to 4 events during 1961-1990).

- A number of international general circulation models have been evaluated to assess their ability to replicate northern climatic conditions for the entire Arctic, including the Mackenzie Delta region. Results revealed substantial variability among the different GCMs with temperature being simulated with a much higher degree of accuracy compared to precipitation. Considerably more variability was evident in the seasonal climate comparisons. The variability suggests that no one model is superior at simulating temperature and precipitation during all seasons. However, the research has indicated that certain models are more valid during particular seasons and can be used

with a higher degree of confidence when examining specific hydrologic processes (e.g. changing spring temperatures and their impacts on the melting of snow and ice). The findings of this research will be used to guide future climate change impact studies over Arctic Canada including the Delta region.

- Initial validation of a model for predicting changes in the hydrologic regime in the northern Mackenzie region is complete. In addition, studies to consider spatial variability in energy fluxes and therefore snowmelt have been completed. In addition, permafrost hydrologic models are now in operation.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$782,400	$781,300
% from PERD	14.0%	10.0%
% from A-Base	59.0%	63.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	26.0%	27.0%
Administration		
Duration of Project	Transitional Year ended in 2004-05	
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Project Title: Critical Aspects of the Climate of Western Canada for the Energy Industry

Overview

This project addresses major issues of concern to the energy industry over parts of western Canada. Global climate models are essentially unanimous in their predictions for this region: higher temperatures, less but changing patterns of precipitation, and probably more 'extreme events'. The key questions to be considered include: will such conditions actually occur and how does this affect the energy industry?

The research involves simulating the climate of western Canada and validating the results with high resolution data. The simulation period includes anomalous periods for the region such as the hot, dry year of 1998 as well as 2000/01 (with dry conditions in the western portion and wet conditions in the eastern portion of the region, respectively). The work also involves evaluation of several parameters of interest to hydroelectric and renewable energy (wind, solar) energy clients, including precipitation, evaporation, temperature, wind and cloudiness.

The result of this effort is a quantitative assessment of the degree to which the regional climate model represents the regional water and energy cycle under different conditions. This assessment will then be used to evaluate aspects of climate scenarios (and in turn climate impacts studies) of importance to hydroelectric and renewable energy interests in the Prairies.

Objectives

The objective of this work is to provide detailed assessments and interpretations of capabilities to simulate climatic conditions (including precipitation, clouds and temperature) over several areas of western Canada (including much of the Prairies and the Mackenzie basin) of importance to the energy industry and to provide guidance to the energy industry of the implications of the findings.

A key test is model capability to account for the climate over this region during past anomalous conditions, as a basis for interpreting model predictions for the region and responses.

Outputs and Successes

Simulations of the climate conditions over western Canada from 1997-2003 were conducted to assess current capability in simulating past climate conditions for the region. The numerical results were validated against several independent datasets including ground truth data, remotely-sensed data as well as analysis and reanalysis datasets. The atmospheric and surface water and energy budgets for the Mackenzie Basin were computed from the different datasets. In additional to serving the purpose of validating the model results against observation or analyzed data in reproducing the water and energy budgets for the region, these results also represent the first comprehensive quantitative evaluation of the water and energy budgets for the region that can be used for future hydroclimate studies in this region by other scientists or the energy sector.

Results from the inter-comparison show that while the model can reproduce reasonably well the seasonal, and to a lesser extent the inter-annual, variability of climate for the region, the model has some serious problems that needed to be addressed before more accurate simulation of the water and energy cycle for the region could be achieved. In particular, the model exhibited strong cold bias in its simulated cold season temperatures for the Mackenzie basin.

To identify and address the problems, the atmospheric energy budget for the Mackenzie Basin was studied to understand the processes that govern the variability of winter temperatures for the region. This resulted in the development of a hypothesis that the cold bias was largely a result of the model's under-prediction of topographic precipitation and the associated diabatic heating over the windward (western) slope of the western Cordillera. These results provided a basis for recommendations for improvement of the model.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$140,000	$54,300
% from PERD	50.0%	63.0%
% from A-Base	50.0%	37.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

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Project Title: Snow Water Equivalent Variations in Western Canada and Climate Change Related Impacts for Hydropower Production

Overview

This research involves generating a time series of Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) data for western Canada using satellite microwave radiometer data sets covering the period 1979-1999 and validating this data with in-situ measurements. By examining the temporal and spatial variations in derived SWE, basins of concern to hydro utilities will be identified and the associated impacts and vulnerabilities of hydropower production with respect to these variations will be documented.

The work also involves comparing the patterns/trends over the 20 year time series to temperature and precipitation data sets in order to assess relationships between derived SWE and these climate elements. Climate scenarios for the next 50-100 years will then be used to determine potential changes in snow cover and SWE over the region and future vulnerabilities. Finally a preliminary investigation will be completed of the potential use of satellite derived SWE in hydrological and climate (global and regional) modelling for model validation/initialization. This will also include an investigation of potential enhancements.

Objectives

The objectives of this project are to assess the recent and future vulnerability of hydropower facilities to changes in snow water equivalent and assess the feasibility of using satellite-derived measurements of snow water equivalent into climate modeling.

Outputs and Successes

Progress was made on understanding snow cover distribution in the northern boreal forest – tundra transition zone in Manitoba through the analysis of in situ data acquired during the 2003/04 winter snow survey field campaigns and validation of satellite data. The results of the analysis demonstrated that the satellite SWE retrievals were representative of mean snow conditions in the high SWE zone at the northern boundary of the boreal forest and in the transition to lower SWE values in the denser boreal forest to the south. The transition to lower SWE values in the tundra to the north was not apparent in the corresponding in situ measurements, pointing to an underestimation in satellite SWE retrievals using the current algorithms and emphasizing the need for development of new algorithm to take into account tundra landscape characteristics.

Progress in relating the data to climate variability was achieved through comparison of spatial SWE patterns to Canadian Regional Climate Model simulations. These simulations were specifically conducted to identify feedbacks between the atmosphere and the land surface for the domain of the northern boreal forest. A control simulation yielded monthly patterns of SWE distribution that closely matched the passive microwave satellite retrieval patterns over this landscape.

Progress was also made in relating the satellite derived SWE variations over the past ~25 years in western Canada (Saskatchewan and Manitoba) to the longer term variations evident in the conventional measurement record (1915-1992). The SWE anomalies are consistent for both data sets in the period of overlap between the two data sets, and the anomalies present in the satellite record are within the range of those of the longer conventional data records.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$136,800	$112,500
% from PERD	34.0%	29.0%
% from A-Base	66.0%	71.0%
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

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Project Title: Changes in Cloud Cover over North America for Solar Energy Development in Canada

Overview

About 60% of the earth's surface is covered with clouds, which are the key determinant of the amount of solar radiation that reaches the earth's surface. Clouds can affect the earth's climate by modulating the vertical and horizontal distribution of solar radiative heating, latent heating, and cooling by thermal radiation that drive the atmospheric circulation over a wide range of space and time scales. Changes in cloud cover due to global climate change, and how such cloud-cover changes interact with a change in climate (i.e., cloud feedback), remain one of the most challenging aspects of predicting future climate change associated with anthropogenic activities. A previous PERD project produced a significant improvement in simulation of cloud in Canadian climate models by including a module dealing with aerolol. The present research applies those results on aerosol and clouds to study the regional cloud coverage patterns in North America and to estimate the impact of cloud changes due to the global climate changes on the solar energy production industry in Canada.

Objectives

The main objective of the work is to provide information on the impacts of climate change on the availability of solar energy in Canada. The specific sub-objectives are:

- Establish the scientific tools to study the impact of cloud changes on the solar energy availability across Canada under various climate change scenarios.
- Investigate the current cloud cover patterns and trends over Canada for the future climates under various emission scenarios.
- Study the impacts of climate change on the availability of solar energy in Canada using the tool developed by taking into account more detailed emission information in Canada.
- Improve the high-resolution regional cloud mechanism in the current model in order to reasonably forecast cloud cover patterns in the North American continent.

Outputs and Successes

Observation data on cloudiness, solar radiation and precipitation was analyzed to assess cloud cover trends and patterns in Canada in during the 1990s; to test the impact of aerosols on cloud formation and development of precipitation; and to compare with model results.

High resolution regional modeling has been completed. The results were compared with the observation data in different climate regions in North America to test, and finally improve the simulation and prediction of the regional climate model. It was shown that aerosols have a complicated impact on clouds, precipitation and the Earth's radiation budget.

Using the improved model and future emission scenarios, the impact on future solar radiation has been simulated. Comparing with current conditions, future radiation has a similar pattern but increases by about 10% in most parts of America and southern Canada. A general picture for solar energy availability across Canada has also been provided.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$59,000	$30,000
% from PERD	100.0%	100.0%
% from A-Base	-	-
% from Industry	-	-
% from Other	-	-

Administration

Duration of Project	Transitional Year ended in 2004-05
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STRATEGIC INTENT 6 – CLIMATE SECTOR

Strategic Direction 2 · Objective 6.2.1

The development of a better understanding of the relevant GHG cycles; and steps to increase the net GHG uptake and sequestration from the atmosphere by forest ecosystems, agricultural landscapes and oceans.

Strategic Intent 6

Strategic Intent 6 is to minimize the negative impacts of climate change on the energy sector.

Strategic Intent 6 – Strategic Direction 2

Strategic Intent 6 – Strategic Direction 2 provides S&T to enhance the uptake of GHGs from the atmosphere.

Objective 6.2.1: Better Understanding of the Relevant GHG Cycles and Development of Steps to Increase the Net GHG Uptake and Sequestration from the Atmosphere by Forest Ecosystems, Agricultural Landscapes and Oceans.

POL 6.2.1 – Enhancements of Greenhouse Gas Sinks (EGGS)

The work of this POL contributes to a better understanding of the natural cycles of carbon and nitrogen that control the release and uptake of greenhouse gases. These natural cycles are complex, sensitive to changes in the environment, and vary in space and time. A better understanding of these cycles and the processes that control them is critical to Canada's capability to quantify the amount of greenhouse gas that can be removed from the atmosphere through overt human actions in a verifiable manner, and hence be counted as emission offsets under the Kyoto Protocol.

The EGGS POL is a group of coordinated research initiatives involving several federal departments that seek: to identify and understand the human influences on key processes that govern the fluxes of GHGs within the Canadian forest and agricultural ecosystems and adjacent oceans; to develop models to describe the interrelationships between human activities and these processes; and, to use these models to assess the quantity of gases that can be removed from the atmosphere by measures under the Kyoto Protocol and subsequent agreements. EC is involved in the Climate Change and Variability Theme area of this POL.

Highlights of 2003-05 for two of the projects within this POL led by EC include the following: In one project, EC compiled and analyzed time series data at three mature Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites (BERMS). These data have been integrated into a stand-level database and provided to the Fluxnet-Canada modeling project and to several investigators from the modeling theme in this POL. The emergence of Fluxnet-Canada in April 2002 enabled BERMS university collaborators to expand their carbon balance research in the areas of harvesting, forest management, and carbon partitioning. The Wetlands in Forests and Agricultural Landscapes project is also led by EC. Results from this project are providing insight into the impact of disturbances and forest management practices on increasing carbon sequestration in Canada's forest wetland ecosystems by developing datasets and conceptual models to incorporate this knowledge into distributed hydrological models and carbon budget models.

Research projects are coordinated efforts by federal departments from Environment Canada, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada and Natural Resources Canada. These projects also include close collaboration with Canadian universities (Göteborg University, McMaster University, University of Alberta, University of Waterloo, University of Manitoba, University of Toronto, University of Saskatchewan, Michigan Technological University, Sault College – Dept. Natural Resources), industry (Alberta Forest Products, Al-Pac, BC Hydro, Canadian Pulp&Paper, Forintek, Hydro Quebec, Japan Central Research Institute of Electric Power Industry, Manitoba Hydro, Manning Diversified, Millar Western, Ontario Hydro, Praxair Foundation, Research Trust Fund, Suncor Sponsor, Weldwood, Weyerhaeuser); as well as provincial government and non-government organizations. International collaboration involves the U.S. Department of Energy.

The following theme areas are included under POL 6.2.1:

- Forest Sinks
- Agricultural Soil Sinks
- Ocean Sinks
- Hydro-electric Reservoirs
- Science Advisory on Climate Change.

Environment Canada managed 3 projects within the Forest Component theme area of this POL.

The current POL plan was completed in 2004-2005. A new plan for a two-year follow-up is in preparation. In 2004-05 total funding was $8,776,000 with PERD funds representing $1,889,000. For 2003-04, the total POL budget was $9,855,000, with PERD funds representing $1,801,000. Details on the allocation between departments for 2003-04 were not available.

Table 17. Percentage of PERD Funds for POL 6.2.1 Allocated to Each Department

	Percentage of Funds %	
Department	**2003-04**	**2004-05**
NRCan / EC	N/A	33.5%
AAFC / EC	N/A	25.1%
DFO	N/A	35.9%
EC Coordination	N/A	5.5%

Environment Canada Projects For POL 6.2.1

Project Title: Measuring and analyzing the effect of inter-annual climate variability on the carbon and water budgets of three representative boreal forest ecosystems at the Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites (BERMS)

Overview

This is an EC-led project within the Forest Theme area of POL 6.2.1. The research in this theme is in direct support of PERD POL 6.2.1's primary objective: to improve techniques for estimating the carbon budget of Canada's managed and unmanaged forests and to identify trends and changes in carbon sequestration associated with climate variability and change. This research will reduce uncertainties in the impact of climate change on the carbon source or sink strength of Canada's boreal forests, by improving our understanding of the biophysical processes that control the forest's carbon and water balances and providing an integrated database to carbon budget modeling groups for model validation and improvement.

Objectives

The primary focus of this project is an improved process understanding of the impacts of inter-annual climate variability on carbon sequestration by boreal forests. The climatic, hydrologic and biophysical controls and the relative responses of photosynthesis and respiration to drought were areas of particular project focus. Data were collected at three mature Boreal Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Sites (BERMS sites) over the nine year period 1994 to 2005. The measurements included continuous carbon, water and energy fluxes, the radiation balance, temperature and humidity, precipitation, wind, and soil temperature and moisture, as well as soil CO_2 efflux and biophysical properties, including leaf area index.

The primary objectives of the data collection and analysis undertaken in this project are: to characterize the effect of inter-annual climate variability on the carbon source or sink strength of boreal forest; and, to identify the critical climatic controls on net ecosystem productivity and its partition into respiration and photosynthesis.

Sub-objectives related to the secondary project - atmospheric CO_2 measurement and regional flux estimation in the BERMS study area – include aircraft observations using an atmospheric model (GEM) coupled to an ecosystem model (BEPS) in order to understand the major processes involved in the atmosphere-biosphere interaction during the campaign period. The objective of this sub-project was to develop a better understanding of the major processes involved in the atmosphere-biosphere interaction during the campaign period.

Outputs and Successes

Data collected at the BERMS sites are contributing to an improved process understanding of the impacts of inter-annual climate variability on carbon sequestration by boreal forests, in particular, to the critical climatic, hydrologic and biophysical controls and the relative responses of photosynthesis and respiration to drought. The BERMS data are integrated into a stand-level database that is being used to validate and improve land surface process and carbon cycle models and is the basis for an intensive evaluation of four Canadian carbon budget models that is currently being conducted by the Fluxnet-Canada Research Network. The data from the mature forest stands provide an anchor to the post-fire flux tower sites that are funded through the disturbance theme in this POL. The BERMS sites represent western boreal forest in the new Fluxnet-Canada network. The emergence of Fluxnet-Canada has enabled BERMS

university collaborators to expand their carbon balance research in the areas of harvesting, forest management, and carbon partitioning. The three mature BERMS sites, which are funded in part by this POL, anchor these new studies and serve as a critical reference point for interpreting disturbance and management effects.

Activities undertaken in 2003-04 included measurements such as continuous carbon, water and energy fluxes, the radiation balance, temperature and humidity, precipitation, wind, and soil temperature and moisture, as well as soil CO_2 efflux and biophysical properties, including leaf area index. The BERMS data are being analyzed (i) to characterize the effect of inter-annual climate variability on the carbon source or sink strength of boreal forest, and (ii) to identify the critical climatic controls on net ecosystem productivity and its partition into respiration and photosynthesis.

Funding

Funding information presented includes the main project and the sub-project (aircraft flight), and represents activities 1 and 4 within the Forestry Theme of this POL.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	N/A	$418,000
% from PERD	N/A	19.9%
% from A-Base	N/A	31.1%
% from Industry	N/A	-
% from Other	N/A	49.0%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year 5 of 5 Scheduled to end 2005
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Project Title: Wetlands in the Forest and Agricultural Landscapes

Overview

This project focused on both forest and agricultural wetlands. The research in forested wetlands is closely linked with the GHG research project being undertaken at the Turkey Lakes Watershed. The research in agricultural wetlands was the first wetland focused study to be undertaken under the auspices of the Prairie Carbon Research Group, whose members include Federal, Provincial, University and NGO organizations. Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) provided cash and in-kind resources for several related wetland studies including those that are most closely allied with our PERD studies. University partners provided in-kind laboratory and field support from staff and students.

Objectives

The forest wetlands research addressed the following objectives:

- To understand the distribution and fate of soil carbon and the variable sink/source status of forested wetlands: by apportioning greenhouse gas fluxes among wetland and upland portions of catchments; and, by understanding hydrologic and biogeochemical processes that contribute to the spatial and temporal variability of greenhouse gas fluxes in forested catchments containing wetlands.

- To assess the impact of climate change and variability, disturbances and forest management practices on increasing carbon sequestration in Canada's forest wetland ecosystems by developing datasets and conceptual models to incorporate this knowledge into distributed hydrological models and carbon budget models.

The agricultural wetlands research addressed the following objectives:

- To understand the source/sink status of wetlands and riparian zones in agricultural landscapes in relation to uplands (crop and range lands): by measuring greenhouse gas fluxes along transects in several regions of Canada; by carrying out process studies to determine the impact of upland management practices (*e.g.* nutrient management) on riparian zone and wetland carbon budge; and, by building and testing a wetland carbon process model.

- To assess the impact of climate change, farming practices and land use change on the ability of agricultural wetlands to sequester carbon by providing data sets from representative sites and interpretation to allow scaling up to landscape level.

Outputs and Successes

Highlights of recent results include:

- Results from 2002-2005 forest wetland research lead to the discovery of "hot spots" for soil respiration (Rs) that coincide with ecotones between the upland and wetland portions of the complex catchments. Classification of soils as residing on a "wetland" and "upland" is insufficient to accurately describe Rs in complex terrain as ecotone yielded significantly higher Rs than adjacent wetland or upland portions of the catchments.

- Research on the prairie agricultural wetlands was in its early stages during 2003-04, concentrating on site selection, experimental setup and method development. During 2004-05 "partner" studies in prairie wetlands showed that cumulative seasonal N_2O emissions from the pond and shoreline were high compared to riparian grass positions and low compared to canola fields in a companion study. Methane emissions were low on every sampling day from April 15 – October 13, 2004 and did not show any clear temporal pattern. Water chemistry attributes were also measured throughout the season and high SO_4^{-2} concentrations may be responsible for the low CH_4 emissions.
- The agricultural/riparian research done adjacent to Beverly Swamp in Ontario was a bit more advanced as site setup was done the previous year and total soil respiration (Rs) was monitored during the warm months and again in 2004-05 for the third year. The transect can be separated into four topographic positions: cropland, boundary, riparian and wetland.
- Generally the summer months show highest average monthly Rs for all positions with the boundary and riparian positions higher (up to 9.0 µmol CO_2 m-2 s-1 than the cropland (up to 5.5 µmol CO_2 m-2 s-1) and wetland (up to 5.0 µmol CO_2 m-2 s-1). Methane emissions that can be determined during flooded times in the centre of Beverly Swamp where peat accumulations are deeper, are not measurable along the cropland – wetland transect.

Funding

Funding information presented includes the main project and the sub-project (aircraft flight), and represents activities 1 and 4 within the Forestry Theme of this POL.

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$304,000	$538,500
% from PERD	25.7%	17.7%
% from A-Base	26.3%	22.3%
% from B-Base	2.6%	1.9%
% from Industry	26.3%	24.1%
% from Other	19.1%	34.0%

Administration

Duration of Project	Year N/A Scheduled to end 2005
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Project Title: Atmospheric CO_2 measurement and regional flux estimation in the BERMS study area

Overview

This EC led project is part of the Forestry Component Theme Area. The overall objective of this theme is to reduce uncertainties in the impact of climate change on the carbon source or sink strength of Canada's boreal forests, by (i) measuring and modeling the forest carbon balance at the stand scale over multiple, complete annual cycles, (ii) improving our understanding of the biophysical processes that control the forest's carbon and water balances, and (iii) providing an integrated database to carbon budget modeling groups for the validation and improvement of process models.

Objectives

This project aims to provide independent, regional-scale verification of modeled NEP in the BERMS study area, based on the observed time series of CO_2 concentration and other trace gases through aircraft CO_2 measurements. These measurements will estimate surface CO_2 fluxes at regional scales and verify and constrain coupled ecosystem-atmosphere models.

Outputs and Successes

This project completed both measurement and modeling activities in 2003-2004. Vertical profiles of CO_2, pressure, temperature, humidity and winds were measured over the BERMS study area, with focus on the Old Black Spruce site because of its in-situ continuous CO_2 measurements. Vertical profiles over the BERMS site obtained during 2003 aircraft campaigns were used to validate MC2-BEPS simulations of the transport of CO_2 in the planetary boundary layer, with CO_2 flux derived from the ecosystem BEPS. Key processes are identified that make significant contribution to the rectifier effect. The results have a significant impact on the inversion calculation methodologies now being used to estimate ecosystem net carbon fluxes using top-down approaches. In 2004-05 the aircraft campaign over the BERMS site was carried out from Prince Albert, SK. Using an atmospheric model (GEM) coupled to an ecosystem model (BEPS), the project is in the process of simulating the aircraft observations, in order to understand the major processes involved in the atmosphere-biosphere interaction during the campaign period. A report summarizing the use of accurate measurements of atmospheric CO_2 to verify regional estimates of the forest carbon balance in the BERMS study area was produced.

Funding

Funding	*Fiscal Year 2003-3004*	*Fiscal Year 2004-2005*
Project Budget	$20,000	N/A
% from PERD	50%	N/A
% from A-Base	50%	N/A
% from B-Base	-	N/A
% from Industry	-	N/A
% from Other	-	N/A

Administration

Duration of Project	Year N/A Scheduled to end 2005
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ANNEX 1: LIST OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA POL OBJECTIVE LEADERS

POL Number	POL Title	POL Leader
1.3.1	Upstream Petroleum Air Issues Research Initiative (UPAIRI)	Michael Layer
1.3.3	Soil and Groundwater Remediation	Paul Bacchus
2.1.1	Development of Technological and Other Measures to Control and Reduce Emissions of Particulate Matter (Particles POL)	Lisa Graham
2.1.2	Advanced Fuels and Transportation Emissions Reduction (AFTER)	Lisa Graham
2.2.5	Hydrogen Energy Economy	Lisa Graham
5.2.1	Characterization of Canadian Fuels and their Emissions (COFE)	Karl Abraham
6.2.1	Enhancements of Greenhouse Gas Sinks (EGGS)	Henry Hengeveld

ANNEX 2: RECENT PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES AND PUBLICATIONS

This annex includes a listing of conferences presentations, and publications accepted for each project during fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05. Entries are outlined by project within each POL where information was available.

POL 1.2.1: Offshore Environmental Factors

Project: Wind and Wave Design Criteria

2003/04 Publications:

Caires, S., A. Sterl, J.-R.Bidlot, N. Graham and V. Swail, 2004. Intercomparison of different wind wave reanalyses. J. Climate.

Moat, B.I., 2003. Quantifying the effects of airflow distortion on anemometer wind speed measurements from merchant ships. Ph.D. Thesis. University of Southampton, UK, 163 p.

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Caires, S. Sterl, A., Komen, G., and Swail, V. The web-based KNMI/ERA-40 global wave climatology atlas. WMO bulletin, 53(2), pp. 142-146, April 2004

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Caires, S., A. Sterl and C. P. Gommenginger, 2005: Global ocean mean wave period data: validation and description. J. Geophys. Res.

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Moat, B. I., A. F. Molland and M. J. Yelland, 2004: A wind tunnel study of the mean airflow around a simple representation of a merchant ship, SOC Research and Consultancy Report No. 87, Southampton Oceanography Centre, Southampton, UK. 21 pp.

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Sterl, A. and S. Caires, 2005: Climatology, Variability and Extrema of Ocean Waves - The Web-based KNMI/ERA-40 Wave Atlas. Int. J. Climatology.

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Moat, B.I., 2003. Quantifying the effects of airflow distortion on wind speed measurements from Voluntary Observing Ships. Proceedings of CLIMAR-II: Workshop on Advances in Marine Climatology, Brussels, Belgium, 17-22 November 2003. JCOMM Technical Report.

Swail, V.R., 2003. A 50-year wind and wave hindcast for the east coast of Canada. International Oil and Gas Producers (OGP) Metocean Committee, San Francisco, CA, 21 October 2003.

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POL 1.3.2: Pipelines POL

Project: Evaluating rapid lake drainage events in the northern Mackenzie region: Potential risks to pipelines

2004/05 Publications:

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Project: Microbial community characterization and profiling in northern sites: impacts of petroleum hydrocarbon contamination and remediation

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Project: Nutrient Flushing to Enhance Natural Biodegradation of Diesel Fuel Impacted Groundwater in a Fractured Bedrock Environment

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2004/05 Publications:

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Project: Emissions Characterization

2004/05 Conference Papers and Presentations:

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Trottier, S., Guo, H., Smallwood, G.J., and Johnson, M.R., "Measurement and Modelling of Soot Formation in Binary Fuel Mixtures," Combustion Institute/Canadian Section 2004 Spring Technical Meeting, Kingston, ON May 9-12, 2004.

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A paper on Semivolatile Organic Compound Emission Profiles for Canadian Motor Vehicles and a paper on Semivolatile Organic Compound Emission Profiles – Effects of Sampling Artifacts were presented at the Organic Speciation workshop in Las Vegas in April 2004. Also two posters were presented at the workshop; one on GC/MS Biomarker Signatures in Particle Emissions From Stationary and Mobile Sources and one on the analysis of water soluble organic acids in vehicle PM emissions and ambient PM samples.

A poster was presented on the analysis of emissions from residential and commercial boiler (#2 and #6) fuel oils at a Combustion Nanoparticles emissions conference in Zurich in August.

A paper on the smoke sensor development was presented at the 2004 Combustion Institute Spring Technical Meeting held in Kingston, May 7-12, 2004

Project: Characterization of Particles in Ambient Air

2004/05 Publications:

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Project Title: Study of Environmental Properties of Diesel Ethers

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E. Andrukaitis "Chemical Hydride Hydrogen Generation for Military Applications" National Hydrogen Association Conference: Los Angeles, California April 2004

G.J.C. Carpenter and Z.S. Wronski, " Analytical TEM of Nickel-Based Materials for Applications in Rechargeable Batteries" Electron Microscopy and Analysis Conference - EMAG 2003, The University of Oxford , UK, 3-5 September 2003 (Poster presentation)

N. Beck "Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in Canada" Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Conference and Trade Show: Vancouver, BC June 2003

S. Lines "The Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Program: New Program Developments in R&D, Infrastructure Development and Market Introduction National Hydrogen Association Conference: Los Angeles, California April 2004

V. Scepanovic "The NRCan Hydrogen and Fuel Cell R&D Program" Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Conference and Trade Show: Vancouver, BC June, 2003

Z.S. Wronski, "Nanopowders for New Hydrogen Energy" Nanomaterials Crossroads 2003, Montreal, October 16-17, 2003, (Presentation on CD ROM, National Research Council Canada, 2003)

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57th IEA ECES Executive Committee Meeting, Montreal, May 14th and 15th, 2004.

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POL 4.3.3: The Development of Advanced Technologies and Products for Heat Management and Separation Including High Efficiency Drying.

Project Title: Applications Of Microwave-Assisted Processes (MAP_{TM}) To Solvent-Less Synthesis And To Low Solvent, Energy-Efficient Extraction

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POL 4.3.6: Develop and/or optimize more efficient and innovative industry technologies, tools, processes, products and/or systems to increase the efficiency of energy use resulting in a reduction of their environmental footprint.

Project Title: New EE transformative technologies based on the use of microwave and HF[4]

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New Trends in Microwave-Assisted Chemistry, Technical Seminar, Wastewater Technology centre, Burlington, ON, Canada, December 2004 (J. R. J. Paré, J. M. R. Bélanger and F. N. Sánchez L.).

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POL 5.1.1 - Improving the Economics and Efficiency of Conversion of Renewable Energy to Electricity Including Related Storage, Hybrid, and Systems Technologies

2003/04 Conference Papers and Presentations:

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Project: Climate change impacts on cold-regions hydrologic processes and extreme events associated with the hydro-electric and oil/gas industries in western and northern Canada

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B. Bonsal and T. Prowse were invited to attend the Mackenzie Gas Project Team Meeting in Victoria, BC, September 22-23, 2003 and gave a presentation entitled "Climate Change Scenarios for the Mackenzie Valley".

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Project: Historical and Future Climate for the Assessment of Energy Sector Impacts in Canada

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Project: Snow Water Equivalent Variations in Western Canada and Climate Change Related Impacts for Hydropower Production

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October 2004 – meeting with NWT Power Corporation in Yellowknife to discuss planning for an April 2005 aircraft/field campaign focussed on snow cover data collection over Snare and Yellowknife River basins; in-kind contributions from NWT Power discussed (helicopter support and Twin Otter access to snow survey location)

Project: Regional Climate Modelling and Analysis for the Canadian Inland Seas and Watershed Impacts on the Energy sector

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